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Highlights from the 63rd Annual Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship!

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FINALLY THE CHAMP – Greg Henry of Sombra, right, receives the Town of Shelburne Laura McGaw Fiddler print from Shelburne Deputy Mayor Ken Bennington as the 63rd Open Old Time Fiddle Champion. Greg had appeared for several years in the Championship finals prior to this years win. In addition to the portrait, he received Kinetite's \$1,500. Kyle Charron of Barrie came second, and Julie Fitzgerald of Bancroft third.

Greg Henry takes the prize in Shelburne

This year's almost constant summer rain held off for a few days and the sun shone on the 63rd Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship just finished in Shelburne.

This year's Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Champion, Greg Henry of Sombra, Ontario, was crowned at the finals on Saturday, August 10. This was Greg's first Championship.

Award results for all of the competition classes are available at www.ShelburneFiddleContest.com

Greg Henry also won the Canadian Tune of Choice trophy and award with Reel de Montebello by Richard Frost.

With just over 70 contest entries from as far away as Devon, Alberta, and 1,400 audience members joining us over the course of the event, another successful edition of Canada's premier fiddle championship has passed into the history books.

Sandra Gallagher, Chair of the Shelburne Rotary Club's contest organizing committee, said, "We are excited about the success of this year's championship and are already looking forward to next year. Thank you to all of our contestants, judges, audience members, sponsors, helpers and supporters for assisting us in making it such a success."

The Saturday night entertainment and competition was opened by three-time Juno award winner Ashley MacIsaac, a guest of the Dufferin County Museum & Archives on whose float he entertained during the afternoon parade. His fiddling, along with the dancing of Sarah Robinson, three-time Canadian Open Stepdance Champion, brought enthusiastic rounds of applause.

The youngest competitor this year was four year old Gibson Lemelin; the oldest was 83 year old Leon Stachnyk.

This year the Junior Championship (13-18 year olds) and the Championship were almost equally hotly contested with 13 competitors in the former and 12 in the latter. This was the largest number of competitors in the Championship Class in several years. The Junior Championship was won by Celine Murray of Dorchester, Ontario, home of the Donnybrook Fiddle and Stepdance Competition. The 9 & Under class had 12 competitors, a recent high water mark, and was won by Mary Frances Leahy of Douro, Ontario. Look for both of these young ladies in the Championship class at future contests.

The Invincible Vince Mountford Memorial Trophy for "Most Entertaining Fiddler" was presented to Julie Fitzgerald who won the Nov-Elty Class and is always wearing a smile.

After a heartfelt plea to the Saturday night audience, Miss

Teen Ontario Canada Hope Schneider was able to raise \$515 for the Teddy Bears of Hope Foundation to send teddy bears to underprivileged children.

The traditional corsage presentation, sponsored by the Hardick family, was made to Alice Hind, who was at the first contest in 1951.

The Saturday afternoon show at the arena featured Cape Ceol (the Jenish sisters and the Provencher brothers with special guest Tessa Bangs) fiddling, stepdancing, and singing for a crowd of over 250.

On Thursday night, Everything Fitz were a hit, with a crowd of over 300 treated to a variety of fiddle and stepdance tunes.

Mark your calendar now for the 64th Championship: August 6-10, 2014.

For more information visit www.ShelburneFiddleContest.com

County sets special meeting on DWP

BY WES KELLER

At a rare August special meeting tonight, county council will go behind closed doors to discuss progress in a rail-corridor easement agreement with Dufferin Wind Power, and is expected to approve a roads agreement in open sessions when it rises from in camera.

The roads agreement is an issue separate from the easements. The county's main concern on roads appears to be with intersections but Melancthon, which "reluctantly" signed its roads agreement with DWP on July 31, has concerns with culverts and access roads among other things, Mayor Bill said in a phone interview.

At the county, CAO Sonja Pritchard said in an interview that county staff would report on negotiations with DWP and seek direction on how to proceed from here. The rail-corridor easement and several private ones are currently subjects of applications to expropriate.

The easements are required for a proposed 230 kv transmission line that's planned between a transformer at the 100 MW wind farm and a connection to the provincial grid at the Orangeville substation in Amaranth.

DWP has Environmental approval for the wind farm and transmission line, but the approval is subject to the Environmental Review Tribunal hearing that's set to begin in Shelburne on Aug. 20. The company also has "leave to construct" the power line from the Ontario Energy Board.

The roads agreement is a separate issue. Ms. Pritchard said there are several intersections that need to be upgraded to accommodate the length of the DWP loads, presumably the turbine towers. The company would be responsible for temporary upgrades, she said.

DWP, which began as a partnership of a group of farmers and 401 Energy of Markham, is now 70% owned by Longyan Power of China, one of the world's largest wind power producers and 30% by Farm Owned Power (Melancthon).

It is reported that Longyan would become 100% owner when the wind farm goes into commercial operation.

Although DWP's present contract with Ontario Power Authority is for 20 years, the easement agreements it's seeking would be for 45 years.



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- Championship**
1. Shelburne Kinette Club Award & Town of Shelburne Portrait, \$1,500, Greg Henry, Sombra
 2. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$1,000, Kyle Charron, Barrie
 3. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & The Dufferin Windows Award, \$750, Julie Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 4. Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$500, Aynsley Porchak, Woodstock
 5. Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$300, Tom Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 6. Gladys and Harold McGhee Memorial Award, \$300, Kerry Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 7. Marion Waite Award, \$50, Paul Lemelin, Van Therese
 8. Marion Waite Award, \$50, Emily Yarascavitch, Oshawa
- Canadian Tune of Choice**
- **Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & In Memoriam**

- Forrest Aeneas "Little Alec the Hide" MacDonald Award, \$500, Greg Henry, Sombra**
- Duet**
1. Bell Canada Trophy & Award, \$300, Greg Henry and Tom Fitzgerald
 2. Bell Canada Trophy & Award, \$200, Julie & Kerry Fitzgerald
 3. Bell Canada Trophy & Award, \$100, Philip & Eric Provencher
 4. \$50, Kyle Burghout & Emily Yarascavitch
- Gospel**
1. Rev. Bruce Besley Memorial Trophy & Shelburne Kinsmen Award, \$300, Julie & Kerry Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 2. Shelburne Kinsmen Award, \$200 Philip & Eric Provencher, Oshawa
 3. Shelburne Kinsmen Award, \$100, Andrew & Diana Dawydchak, Etobicoke
- Novelty**

1. Royal Bank McIntosh Memorial Trophy & Award, \$200, Julie, Paddy & Kerry Fitzgerald Bancroft
 2. Royal Bank McIntosh Memorial Trophy & Award, \$150, Tom Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 3. Royal Bank McIntosh Memorial Trophy & Award, \$50, Paul Jacob Lemelin, Van Therese
- Canadian Open Old Time Junior Championship 18 Years and Under**
1. Canadian Open Old Time Junior Championship Ray Hardick Memorial Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$500, Celine Murray, Dorchester
 2. Ray Hardick Memorial Trophy & The Ostic Group Award, \$400, Emma March, Pembroke
 3. Ray Hardick Memorial Trophy & Stan and Doris Smith Memorial Award, \$300, Alana Jenish, Oshawa
 4. The Mark and Kathy Williams & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$200, Ashley Giles, St. Mary's
 5. Shelburne Primary Eye Care Award, \$100, Andrew Dawydchak, Etobicoke
 6. Broken Boards Award, \$50, Tessa Bangs, Ottawa
 7. Marion Waite Award, \$50, Philip Provencher, Oshawa, 19-55

- burne Award, \$200, Adele Leahy, Lakefield
 3. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Murray and Dorothy Morrison Memorial Award, \$100, Charlotte Van Barr, Kinburn
 4. Bill and Marg Dougherty Trophy & Award, \$50, Joelle Crigger, Toronto
 5. Marion Waite Award, \$50, Xavier Leahy, Orangeville
- All Contestants: Ward Allen Memorial & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$25
- 9 Years & Under**
1. Royal Canadian Legion Trophy (Branch 220) & Award, \$150, Mary Frances Leahy, Douro
 2. Royal Canadian Legion Trophy (Branch 220) & Award, \$100, Gregory Leahy, Lakefield
 3. Royal Canadian Legion Trophy (Branch 220) & Award, \$75, Lucas Candelino, Barrie
 4. Harold Morby Memorial Award, \$50, Angus Leahy, Lakefield
 5. Harold Morby Memorial Award, \$50, Michael Leahy, Douro
- All Contestants: Ward Allen Memorial & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$25
- Youngest Competitor: Fred McDougall Memorial Plaque, Bailey Lemelin, Van Therese



PHOTO BY WES KELLER
YOUNGEST FIDDLER – Bailey Lemelin, 4, demonstrates his fiddling prowess following his appearance in the 9 and under competition at Shelburne. He was youngest in the event.

1. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$300, Cassandra Swan, St. Catharines
 2. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Holmes Agro Award, \$200, Jeremy Audette, Gravenhurst
 3. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$100, Jonathan Kofman, Waterloo
 4. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$75, not awarded
 5. Rotary Club of Shelburne Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$50, not awarded
- 10-12
1. Grant Bell Memorial Trophy & Lions Club Award, \$300, Duncan McDougall, Uxbridge
 2. Elmer Campbell Memorial Plaque & Rotary Club of Shel-

- burne Award, \$200, Adele Leahy, Lakefield
 3. Royal Canadian Legion Trophy (Branch 220) & Award, \$150, Mary Frances Leahy, Douro
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- Youngest Competitor: Fred McDougall Memorial Plaque, Bailey Lemelin, Van Therese
- 56 Years & Over**
1. McDowell Memorial Trophy & Crewson Insurance Award, \$300, Gerry Smith, Exeter
 2. Bob and Evelyn Hicks Trophy & Caravaggio Pharmacy Award, \$200, Webb Acheson, Bancroft
 3. Bristol & Ivy Barber Memorial Trophy & Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$100, Bruce Armitage, Quyon, PQ
 4. Rotary Club of Shelburne Award, \$75, Real Levesque, Burlington
 5. Marion Waite Award, \$50, Bob Arbuckle, Newmarket
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- Oldest Contestant** Albert Mews Memorial Trophy: Leon Stachnyk, Guelph
- Best Fiddler from Dufferin County:** Shelburne Primary Eye Care, \$100, Xavier Leahy, Orangeville
- Most Entertaining Fiddler:** Invincible Vince Mountford
- Memorial Trophy:** Julie Fitzgerald, Bancroft

Thank you!

Thank you staff and volunteers that helped make the event a great success!
 Thank you to all participants!
 Congratulations to Greg Henry, winner of the 63rd Annual Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Contest and Canadian Tune of Choice!
 J. Ed Crewson, Mayor, Town of Shelburne

Fitzgeralds plan Orangeville show

BY WES KELLER

If you missed Everything Fitz at Fiddleville last Thursday, you'll be glad to know they'll be in Orangeville for a Christmas show at Westminster United Church for a Christmas show on Dec. 14.

Pam Fitzgerald, the mother of fiddling/dancing siblings Julie, Kerry and Tom, said the family enjoys coming to Dufferin. Everything Fitz has toured extensively, and its members have competed at Shelburne for several years, but she said the area has several attractive venues, including Grace Tipling Hall and the Orangeville Opera House.

At CDRC, Paddy Fitzgerald said the new stage was smaller than expected but adequate. (In fact, Rotary president Fred Fender said the old stage had to be replaced as it was in need of repair. He said the stage this year was a rental from Grand Valley but there will be a larger one for the 64th championship event in 2014.)

Everything Fitz proved to be a solid choice for the Thursday night show, and the estimated 500 who came might have been sufficiently pleased as not to have noticed that major changes had been made to the arena since the 62nd event.

The stage had been moved from the east wall to the west side. Among those who did notice, some were pleased that they no longer had to walk past the stage if arriving late or walking to the outside and back in during the show.

On the other hand, some were disappointed that the new setting meant they couldn't sit in the bleachers.

But the Fitzgerald show had no disappointments unless it was that Emily Flack didn't appear quite often enough. She was especially outstanding in her rendition of Bonnie Dundee.

Everything Fitz is truly a family show. Matriarch Pamela is pianist, and poppa Paddy plays everything from mandolin to fiddle, while siblings Julie, Kerry and Tom are all championship class fiddlers and dancers. As evidence of their entertainment value, Julie won the Invincible Vince Mountford award as the "most entertaining" in the 2013 event.



PHOTO BY WES KELLER
 'Everything Fitz' plays to a crowd of more than 300 fiddle fanatics at the 63rd Annual Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship last Thursday night in Shelburne. The group played a variety of fiddle and stepdance tunes.



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SHELBURNE FREE PRESS KNOWS HOW TO DELIVER – Cameron Hardi, 9 years old, has a paper route delivering for the Shelburne Free Press. Cameron's older sister, 14 year old Alyssa Hardi, lends a hand each week. An important job delivering news about the community to the community and in an age where not everybody has a computer or may lack the ability to purchase a paper themselves, Cameron Hardi had this to say, "I never thought about it that way before." Role model to her younger brother, supporting him in his first job on a paper route, this typical younger brother commented without missing a beat, "Yah, I'm just helping HER out!" A high five and many thanks go out to the Hardi's and all others who work hard bringing the Shelburne Free Press to all residents!

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- 63rd Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship**
Friday, August 9, 2013, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.
- 9 & Under**
- 1 Cecilia Leahy, Lakefield
 - 2 Paul Jacob Lemlin, Van Therese
 - 3 Gregory Leahy, Lakefield
 - 4 Michaela Zatzko, Bancroft
 - 5 Angus Leahy, Lakefield
 - 6 Gibson Lemlin, Van Therese
 - 7 Bennett Van Barr, Kinburn
 - 8 Bailey Lemlin, Van Therese
 - 9 Lucas Candelino, Barrie
 - 10 Mary Frances, Leahy
 - 11 Michael Leahy, Douro
 - 12 Aliyah Leahy, Orangeville
- 10 to 12**
- 13 Charlotte Van Barr, Kinburn
 - 14 Joelle Crigger, Toronto

- 15 Johnna Rymes, Devon Alberta
- 16 Adele Leahy, Lakefield
- 17 Duncan McDougall, X-bridge
- 18 Brooklyn Hewton, Miller Lake
- 19 Xavier Leahy, Orangeville
- 20 Donald Harrison, Brampton
- 21 Webb Acheson, Bancroft
- 22 Georgene McCartney, London
- 23 Gerry Smith, Exeter
- 24 Scotty McHardy, St. Thomas
- 25 David Rowland, Parry Sound
- 26 Ray Brisson, Oshawa
- 27 Bruce Armitage, Quyon Quebec
- 28 Bob Arbuckle, Newmarket
- 29 Real Levesque, Burlington
- 30 Leon Stachnyk, Guelph
- 31 John Pook, Zurich
- 32 Andrew Dawydchak, Etobicoke
- 33 Philip Provencher, Oshawa
- 34 Maria Peppler, Orangeville
- 35 Celine Murray, Dorchester
- 36 Tessa Bangs, Ottawa

- 37 Sabrina Rankin, Sarnia
 - 38 Emma March, Pembroke Ontario
 - 39 Diana Dawydchak, Etobicoke
 - 40 Will March, Pembroke
 - 41 Evan Murphy, Wallaceburg
 - 42 Alanna Jenish, Oshawa
 - 43 Sheila Roberts, Brampton
 - 44 Ashley Giles, St. Mary's
- Novelty**
- 45 Tom Fitzgerald
 - 46 Julie Fitzgerald and Paddy Fitzgerald
 - 47 Paul Jacob Lemlin
 - 48 Kerry Fitzgerald
- Duet**
- 49 Emma March and Will March
 - 50 Julie Fitzgerald and Kerry Fitzgerald
 - 51 Greg Henry and Tom Fitzgerald
 - 52 Andrew Dawydchak and Diana Dawydchak
 - 53 Kyle Burghout and Emily Yarascavitch
 - 54 Michael Audette and Sheila Roberts
 - 55 Johnna Rymes and Jenny Rymes
 - 56 Philip Provencher and Eric Provencher

- 19 to 55**
- 57 Jonathan Kofman, Waterloo
 - 58 Jeremy Audette, Gravenhurst
 - 59 Cassandra Swan, St. Catharines
- Championship**
- 60 Kyle Burghout, Ottawa
 - 61 Tom Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 - 62 Kyle Charron, Barrie
 - 63 Eric Provencher, Oshawa
 - 64 Kerry Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 - 65 Julie Fitzgerald, Bancroft
 - 66 Michael Audette Lorette, Manitoba
 - 67 Greg Henry, Sombra
 - 68 Aynsley Porchak, Woodstock
 - 69 Greg Williams, Dorchester
 - 70 Paul Lemlin, Van Therese
 - 71 Emily Yarascavitch, Oshawa
- Gospel**
- 72 Andrew Dawydchak and Diana Dawydchak
 - 73 Julie Fitzgerald, Tom Fitzgerald and Kerry Fitzgerald
 - 74 Philip Provencher and Eric Provencher
- Judges**
- Ian Hamilton
 Brian Hebert
 Doug McNaughton
- House Accompanist**
 Melika Lemelin



PHOTO BY WES KELLER
MOST ENTERTAINING – Sandra Gallagher, left, presents the Invincible Vince Mountford memorial trophy to Julie Fitzgerald as the Most Entertaining in the 2013 Shelburne event. Sandra is the hard-working Rotarian credited with having spent her year organizing the event but she, in turn, gives the credit to others who worked with her. Julie, who demonstrated ambidexterity among other talents, is one of only three female Shelburne champions.

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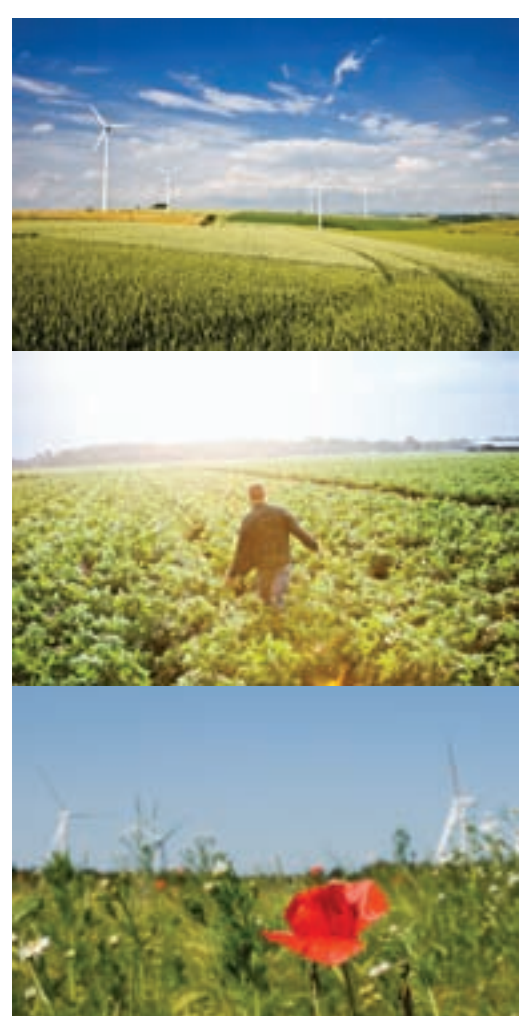
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August 15, 2013

To the People of Melancthon Township,

Dufferin Wind Power Inc. (DWPI) has received all necessary provincial permits to construct its 49-turbine wind farm, 230kV power line and ancillary infrastructure. As the project enters the construction phase we encourage you to check the project website weekly for updates that may affect you. These updates will include the types of construction work planned, where it will be occurring and details such as road upgrades and closures.

Dufferin Wind Power acknowledges that there is a hearing of the Environmental Review Tribunal scheduled to start August 20. There is the chance that the project approval received from the Ministry of Environment could be revoked. However, DWPI has full confidence in the thoroughness and integrity of all our reports, studies and designs and we have made the decision to start pre-construction activities at our own risk. We are confident that the appeal process will resolve in favour of the Dufferin Wind Farm, and are proceeding with optimism and full respect for this process.



A Good Neighbour

The word "Dufferin" was added to our corporation's name because that is where this wind farm will be built. It acknowledges the many individuals who work and live in this community who got together to see their dream of a wind farm come true. We are local, no matter how "foreign" some people try to make us out to be. Longyuan Canada Renewables Ltd. was invited to this community: the land owners and shareholders of Farm Owned Power Melancthon (FOPM) needed an investor to help bring a wind farm to their community. FOPM approached Longyuan Canada Renewables Ltd., a subsidiary of China Longyuan Power Group Corporation, the second largest wind farm developer in the world. Why did they choose this company to work with? Because the good people of your community wanted it done right. They wanted the latest technology and the expertise to ensure this is the best wind farm it can be. Working together, we are developing the project to bring it into operation.

Once fully operational, Longyuan Canada Renewables Ltd. will have the option to purchase full interest in Dufferin Wind Power Inc. Longyuan Canada Renewables Ltd. will exercise this option as part of the agreement made with FOPM. When this happens it will provide the group with the Return on Investment they hoped for when they decided to pursue this development. It is good business and it makes good sense.

Champions of the Local Community

Donations in the past year totaling \$9,450 have been made to 12 different community groups and charitable organizations and DWPI has put a plan in place to ensure we give the community as much as \$20,000 in our first year of operation. This is not a requirement, it is our choice.

The Dufferin Wind Farm is a big project, involving many people, and we want to acknowledge a large number of amicable agreements that have been reached with land owners and municipalities, including a recent Melancthon Township road use agreement. DWPI is also optimistic that in the near future we will reach an amicable working agreement with Dufferin County regarding the use of the former rail corridor.

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Ministers release statement on exotic animals

On August 13th, Madeleine Meilleur, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Linda Jeffrey, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and David Oraziotti, Minister of Natural Resources, released the following statement

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"The recent events in New Brunswick have touched many Ontario families who need to

know that the rules are in place to help avoid such tragedies in our own province.

Currently, the responsibility for dealing with exotic animals falls to individual municipalities, which each have their own approach to bylaws and enforcement.

As a result, the Ontario government will review the rules in place dealing with the possession and ownership of exotic animals in the province. Our three ministries will create a working group to examine the current structure and whether any changes need to be made.

The government will also seek input from key stakeholders, including municipalities, and report back this fall with options for moving forward.

The safety and well-being of all Ontarians is of greatest importance."

Remembering Shelby – a warning to pet owners

Dear editor:

Our beloved Shelby, an eight year old Chow/Shepherd was murdered either intentionally or accidentally in our back yard on August 17, 2012. The cause of death was rat poison in an apple. I found part of the apple and poison after I spent 10 hours with her in the vet hospital while her health deteriorated and she passed away. She had never hurt anyone, loved people especially children, was quiet and was always on her leash if she was not in our fenced yard.

When I think about it I am heart broken but I am also horrified. This could have happened to a small child who may have picked up the apple and taken a bite out of it. It could have been someone else's beloved pet.

I hope people will think twice before they put poison out even if it is to kill raccoons, skunks or any other pest they may not want in their yard. We lost a family member and I don't want it to happen to another family.

Helen Fraser
Olde Village Lane



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WAITING FOR FOOD TO FALL – Shelby, an eight year old Chow/Shepherd died after eating an apple laced with rat poison in her own back yard on August 17, 2012.

Word on the Street

"If you won the lottery, how much would you donate to charity?"



"Probably a quarter of it. Then I'd take care of my family, and with what's left I'd buy an island!"

– Alana Keenan



"If I won a million dollars, I'd give \$700. Then I'd probably help my mom out with taxes and stuff."

– Blake (12)



"I guess you'd have to go to at least 40 per cent, because you're lucky enough to get anything."

– Maria O'Callahan



"I would like to give 75 per cent. With the rest, I'd set up investments for my kids."

– Rick Milne, Deputy Mayor of New Tecumseth

Ottawa Journal: Responsibility developing resources, protecting the environment

BY DAVID TILSON, M.P.

For many Canadians and for our Government, the economy remains the top priority. Yet we don't want economic growth to come at an environmental cost. This is why our Government is promoting

responsible development of Canada's natural resources – creating good new jobs, while enhancing environmental protection.

Canada is fortunate to be blessed with abundant natural resources.

There's tidal power in Atlantic Canada, hydro-electric dams in Quebec, the mineral-rich Ring of Fire in Ontario, and the oil sands in Alberta. Prudently developing these resources is vital to creating jobs now and to keeping Canada on track for long-term economic prosperity.

As a trading nation, Canada is a reliable and secure energy supplier for our friends and partners. Expanding international trade and opening markets in Europe, around the Pacific Rim and throughout the world is a key part of our Government's economic plan. Mining workers and com-

munities can also count on the support of our Government. As Joe Oliver, Minister of Natural Resources, has said, "Mining continues to be a cornerstone of the Canadian economy." Approximately 330,000 Canadian jobs depend directly on mining, a growing industry supported by the Mineral Exploration Tax Credit under Economic Action Plan 2013. Overall, resource industries create almost 800,000 Canadian jobs.

At the same time, our Government continues to protect Canada's enviable natural heritage. We've strengthened fines for pollution and envi-

ronmental damage and are enshrining in law the 'polluter pays' principle. We're also requiring that companies make public and transparent their emergency and environmental plans.

For oil production and transportation we have increased inspections of gas and oil pipelines, doubled the comprehensive audits of pipelines and required new safety measures for oil tankers.

In addition, the governments of Canada and Alberta have

established a joint program to closely monitor air and water quality and biodiversity near oil sands.

Canadians can count on our Government to ensure that our environmental protection is the strongest in the world, while responsibly developing resources and supporting job creation.

The economy remains our top priority and through our Economic Action Plan we are helping keep Canada on track for long-term prosperity.

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Results from last week's poll:
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THIS WEEK'S QUESTION
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Play for Pawtism

A fundraiser has been planned for August 17th from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at K-9 County Inn. 'Play for Pawtism' will help to pay for the cost of training an Autism Service Dog, which is very costly and time consuming.

K-9 Country Inn is located at 5776 11th Line in Cookstown. For more information e-mail playforpawtism@gmail.com or call 905-729-4887.



Being closed on Saturday certainly enabled everyone to enjoy the Fiddle Contest and all the exciting events. We noticed a huge return of books and patrons coming in today to obtain new books. That makes it a very lively day here.

TD Summer Reading: The children are downstairs this Monday cooking up some healthy snacks with Heather McIntosh-Hayes. This week they are making granola bars, raspberry bars, blueberry smoothies, and a pumpkin dip. They are all delicious and healthy too. Heather will also be talking about school and lunch box snacks. Since our theme for the summer is the Journey across Canada, these snacks are all made with food grown locally.

It was fun watching the dishwashing brigade... good training for later on.

Our summer reading program events are winding down although there are still two full weeks left: Tuesday, August 13 the children will be making and decorating race cars and on Wednesday, August 14, they will be watching the movie, Cars with popcorn and juice. Next week on August 21st, they will be watching Monster's Inc. and then we are gearing up for the Grand Finale on August 24th... lots of fun, draws, certificates, great prizes and a surprise guest.

Teens@Random: It has been a busy summer for teens at the Shelburne Library! We've had teens participating in weekly yoga sessions, as well as our weekly arts & culture program, Teens@Random. And let's not forget our popular monthly book club, Pizza & Pages! Alas, the summer is coming to an end, and teens are busying themselves preparing for the Fall semester. This week will be our last week of teen programming, but we've saved the best for last... Tonight, during the final Teens@Random, teens will learn how to create their very own duct tape wallets! We'll also be continuing the Pizza & Pages book club (which meets the last Thursday of the month) throughout the school year, as it has been our most popular summer program for teens.

Other news: Lauren, the student working on our Heritage project to celebrate the Library's 100th Anniversary was in on Friday and has completed the editing work on the booklet celebrating the history. We will have copies available in late September. Lauren has finished her first year of studies in the Master of Library and Information program at the University of Toronto and worked this summer at the OISE Library as an Intern. We are always delighted to have her come back. On a slightly different note, Emily, the summer student who was helping coordinate the Teens@Random program left this week and will be going back to Queen's University in September.

Fiction:
 Something wicked by Lisa Jackson and Nancy Bush
 Ready to die by Lisa Jackson
 Redemption mountain by Gerry Fitzgerald
 Choke point by Ridley Pearson
 Secrets over sweet tea (Large print) by Denise Hildreth Jones

A Treacherous paradise by Henning Mankell
 Freud's mistress by Karen Mack and Jennifer Kaufman
 The long war by Terry Pratchett and Stephen Baxter
 Hidden order by Brad Thor
 The Irresistible Blueberry Bakeshop & Cafe by Mary Simses

Fifth grave past the light by Darynda Jones
 The Man from Berlin by Luke McCallin
 Letters from Skye by Jessica Brockmole

Non fiction:
 Makeovers: room by room solutions – Better Homes & Gardens
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 7 weeks to a 10K by Brett Stewart



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Jeanne Cruikshank, Rose Dotten, Lindsay Whiting and Adam Ferguson saying good bye to Emily Sedgwick our our summer student coordinating the Teens program. Emily will be going back to University at Queens this fall.



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Children at SPL participating in cooking healthy snacks as part of the TD Summer Reading programs. Moms and children seen here enjoying themselves.

Shelburne Market Village heads to OMB

BY WES KELLER

In an objection that town council considers to be frivolous, Loblaw's is appealing the zoning for Shelburne Market Village to the Ontario Municipal Board.

The appeal was not entirely unexpected. Loblaw's in 2007 had indicated its objections to a commercial development on the north side of Highway 10/89, across the highway from its No Frills store on the south, especially as it has plans of its own for expansion there.

And then, when Market

Village developer Blackwood Partners reduced its planning application to about 11,000 square metres from a previous 28,000 in 2012, Loblaw's once more said its concerns about traffic and market remained valid.

In Shelburne now, there are only two grocery supermarkets: the 32,000 square foot No Frills and the 15,000 square foot Foodland (formerly IGA). Market Village would add a 35,000 square foot food store and a major retailer such as a Canadian Tire of about 27,000 square feet.

Supporters of Market Village point out that both existing food outlets were open in Shelburne when the town's population was approximately 4,000. The population now stands at 6,500 and is growing rapidly.

In Orangeville, Loblaw's is believed to have a 50% food market share between its Zehrs and No Frills, although

Sobey's is holding its own in its expanded store on Riddell plus its No Frills outlet at the former Sobey's location. Walmart, meantime, appears to be nearing completion of its dedicated grocery outlet.

The Metro store is unchanged in size from the original Dominion Store that opened in Orangeville Mall in the late 1970s.

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FUN AT THE SHELBURNE POOL – It was a good weekend for some mid-summer fun in the pool at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex in Shelburne. High flying Dylan Brown takes a leap off of the diving board.



Liam Brown and Emma Ferris practice treading water under the supervision of swimming instructor Caely Dunlop.



PHOTOS BY BRIAN LOCKHART
SOCCER WRAPS FOR THE SEASON – The yellow and blue team U10 division battle it out on the soccer pitch at Hyland Park in Shelburne. This is the last week of house league soccer for the season.



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BLACK AND WHITES – The black and white U10 teams in Shelburne Minor Soccer house league meet for the last time this season during a match at Hyland Park in Shelburne. The house league has enjoyed a good season with the end coming this weekend in the final day of fun.



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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Name: OWEN FIELD
Sport: SOCCER
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Position: PLAYER / REFEREE

Fifteen year old Owen Field participates as both a player and a referee when it comes to his duties on the soccer pitch.

“I like watching the kids play soccer, and the money’s pretty good too,” he says of calling the shots during a game.

Fully trained as a referee, he says that when taunts come from the sidelines, he keeps a cool head.

“I tell them to keep their comments to themselves. I’m the ref and I call what I see, and they can just watch the game and have fun.”

As an athlete, Owen takes part in several different sport on top of soccer where he plays on a U16 team.

He plays ball hockey at the arena, is working toward his lifeguard certificate in swimming and he is a member of his high school’s rugby team.

As a sports enthusiast, Owen takes it seriously both as a competitor and as a referee where he has earned the respect on the field from the younger players whose game he refs, and the coaches on the sidelines.



Serious motorcycle collision

The Dufferin OPP Detachment is currently investigating a motor vehicle collision which occurred at 11 a.m., on Saturday, August 10th, on the 20th Sideroad of Mulmur Township (River Road) just west of County Road #18 (Airport Road). An eastbound motorcycle failed to negotiate a curve in the roadway and crashed into the south ditch. The operator of the motorcycle was transported by ambulance to Stevenson Memorial Hospital in Alliston and then immediately airlifted to Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre in Toronto with life threatening injuries. OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigators were on scene.

Drugs seized in Mono

On Thursday, August 8, members from CDAT (Community Drug Action Team) and the DEU (Drug Enforcement Unit) under the direction of the Organized Crime

Enforcement Bureau (OCEB) Drug Enforcement Unit along with members of Caledon OPP Street Crime Unit, K-9 and Central Region ERT, (Emergency Response Team) executed a Controlled Drug and Substances Act search warrant at a Blind Line residence in the Town of Mono in Dufferin.

As a result of the search, officers located a large amount of a green leafy substance, believed to be marijuana, marijuana plants, a large quantity of hashish, 7 weapons and money. The total value of seized drugs, cash and paraphernalia exceeds \$180,000.

In conclusion, David Ashley R. Mander, 29, of Town of Mono was arrested and charged with Production of Schedule II and 2 counts of Possession for the Purpose of Trafficking.

The accused was held in custody and appeared at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on August 9th.

Youth leadership camp

Three years ago, nestled on the shores of Pigeon Lake, in the picturesque Karwartha Lakes Region, Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers from Central Region gathered to provide soon-to-be grade 9 students with an opportunity and an experience that they hoped would shape and mold these young people in such a way that what they learned would carry over into adulthood.

Over a four day period, these young people leave their families and friends behind, make new friends and learn skills that will no doubt shape them into becoming the leaders of tomorrow.

Chief Superintendent Brad Blair says "this great camp experience is made possible by

the generosity of many of our local Service Clubs within the communities that make up the OPP Central Region. Without their continued support of the OPP Youth Foundation, the opportunity to empower these young men and women would not be able to take place". I am also proud of our officers who also leave their families behind and put in long days and nights to make this camp what it has become."

The OPP Central Region Youth Summer Camp will take place again this year between August 26-29, 2013 at the Youth Leadership Camps of Canada camp located on Pigeon Lake.

A planned Media Day is scheduled take place on Tuesday August 27, 2013.



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

ON GUARD FOR SHELBURNE – Shelburne's own, Police Constable Paul Neumann was on duty during the Shelburne Fiddle Contest Parade keeping a watchful eye. It is with great pleasure The Shelburne Free Press takes this opportunity to thank Shelburne's "Finest" for their commitment to excellence serving and protecting Shelburne residents and all visitors during the 63rd Annual Canadian Open Old Time Fiddle Championship.

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Shout to the LORD, all the earth; break out in praise and sing for joy! Sing your praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song, with trumpets and the sound of the ram's horn. Make a joyful symphony before the LORD, the King!" - Psalm 98:4-6.

Good Morning Beloved, it is a very joyful morning indeed. This past week marked the celebration of the 63rd Fiddleville. Shelburne was brimming with festivities as numerous fiddlers from far and wide visited us to share their talents. In retrospect at Crossroads we felt it was a great time to give a Christian view on celebrating with music. We can all agree that music is an integral part of our daily lives. Music soothes the soul, inspires the mind, heals the spirit and rejoices the heart. Music celebrates life, family, friends and God.

Here are a few examples of how music fills noteworthy moments of our lives. When we fall in love, there is always that one special song that landmarks and describes our feelings for our beloved one; that song is sung many times and is probably the first song we dance at our wedding. When a mother is

expecting a child there is a loving song she sings repeatedly to her unborn child. We use music to express our appreciation and love to special friends and family with radio dedications or even sing at their birthdays and anniversaries. And even on their farewells or final goodbyes as we lay them to rest we do it with songs that we either play or sing in their honor. Music is with us from the moment of conception to the day we are reborn in Christ to the day we meet Him. Why do you suppose music is so part of our human existence?

Music is a great gift given by our Creator. He created it as a means for angels and humans to praise and worship Him, and to show our affections towards Him; is it any wonder that we also use music to show love to one another? What does the Bible say? Let us read; "Sing a new song to the LORD! Let the whole earth

sing to the LORD! Sing to the LORD; praise his name. Each day proclaim the good news that he saves." Psalm 96:1-2, and "Shout to the LORD, all the earth; break out in praise and sing for joy! Sing your praise to the LORD with the harp, with the harp and melodious song, with trumpets and the sound of the ram's horn. Make a joyful symphony before the LORD, the King!" Psalm 98:4-6 again it says "My heart is confident in you, O God; no wonder I can sing your praises with all my heart! Wake up, lyre and harp! I will wake the dawn with my song. I will thank you, LORD, among all the people. I will sing your praises among the nations. For your unfailing love is higher than the heavens. Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds. Be exalted, O God, above the highest heavens. May your glory shine over all the earth." Psalm 108:1-5

We can definitely see that music is a way to rejoice and celebrate God. We can show Him our adoration, our admiration and our affections, we were created to worship, that is why even in the most indigenous nations you will find people worshipping, it is an innate need of the human spirit. Music is also often accompanied with dancing, many of us are not blessed with the ability to play music or even have a Grammy award winning voice but we can all worship by raising our hands and singing along while others lead. We even sway gently to the sound and some are more exuberant such as King David, "So all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD

with shouts, with the sounding of rams' horns and trumpets, and of cymbals, and the playing of lyres and harps. As the ark of the covenant of the LORD was entering the City of David, Michal daughter of Saul watched from a window. And when she saw King David dancing and celebrating, she despised him in her heart." 1 Chronicles 15:28-29

Notice here that Michal wasn't in favor of David's exuberance, and God did not bless her because of it. So if we want to be blessed we will offer heartfelt praises to the Lord and we will not judge the passion in which others choose to worship.

God gave each of us different gifts and talents with which to praise Him and He longs to hear our hearts sing for joy for it brings joy to the heart of the giver and as Psalm 22:3 says, "God is Holy and God inhabits the Praise of His People." So in our moments of praise and worship He encounters us there.

This week as we enjoyed and appreciated the many talented fiddlers that graced Shelburne let us always remember that God is the Giver of such gifts and we should definitely praise Him for it and live at peace with one another as Ephesians 5:19 says, "God is Holy and God inhabits the Praise of His People." So in our moments of praise and worship He encounters us there. This week as we enjoyed and appreciated the many talented fiddlers that graced Shelburne let us always remember that God is the Giver of such gifts and we should definitely praise Him for it and live at peace with one another as Ephesians 5:19 says, "God is Holy and God inhabits the Praise of His People." So in our moments of praise and worship He encounters us there.

Christian Perspectives: I'm me, and you're you

BY JACK GAULT

I began by saying, "I'm me and you're you!" My sparkling eyed Becky shot back, "No Daddy, you're you and I'm me!" I would then respond with, "But how can I be me and you at the same time?" Tom said, "You're not me!...I'm me and you're you!" All the while our youngest boy simply sat there wide eyed, quietly looking from one person to another. This friendly meal table game would continue until Mom got tired of listening and asked us to stop. We loved this particular kind of verbal sparring.

In any debate each side has a chance to communicate their differing points of view with each other in what they hope is a convincing manner. They reason with each other. There several different possible outcomes.

Sometimes the arguments were not clear and conclusive leading to misunderstandings.

Some people simply don't like to be proven wrong! If you are somehow able to win the argument the other person is not really convinced and goes away looking for another bet-

ter, stronger argument so they can continue to believe they are right. For this I passed on to my children the old saying, "A man convinced against his will is of the same opinion still." I taught them that there are times that people who wish to remain friends must decide to "agree to disagree" and simply leave it at that.

At times negative emotions or preconceived ideas can cloud the ability to be open minded thus spoiling the chance of obtaining an honest agreement.

Occasionally a debate will end reasonably in consensus and then it will have all been worthwhile.

The most important invitation that we may not know we have all received comes from Almighty God. He has made it known that there are things that He wants to discuss with us. We can trust God to be clear in His points and honest in His presentation.

God wants to be our good friend and, we were built to have just such a lasting relationship with Him. But we didn't want Him. We ignored Him and turned our back on Him. We forgot about all He did and does for us everyday. Our life got too full and we had no time for Him anymore and somehow we started to carry on our lives without

Him. In response He tried to get our attention. He called to us but we couldn't hear Him, our lives were just too noisy - too busy.

He continues to call, "Come, let us sit down and reason together." Isaiah 1:18. He is like the Father in the prodigal son story - watching and waiting for us to turn to Him.

But, ... there is also a warning to consider about waiting too long to come to God in Genesis 6:3 [DARBY] "... My Spirit shall not always plead with Man ..." We have this life only in which to listen to God's debating points and He will let us go if we choose to leave the table. Now is the time to come to Him.

CRDC offers lots for kids to do for summer holidays

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

It usually doesn't take very long into summer vacation before a parent hears 'I'm bored' from a school age child who finds there isn't a lot to do when classes aren't in session.

The Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex offers a lot of all-day activities for kids ages four through 12 at the Centre in Shelburne.

"This is our third successful year," said CDRC Administration Manager Kim Fraser. "The program runs eight weeks from July 1, through to August 23."

There are different activities throughout the day to keep young minds occupied. The program was started when it became apparent that there was a need to keep children busy when their parents went off to work during the summer.

"I wanted to start something in Shelburne that is reasonably priced, for kids that are at home but the parents are still working," Kim explained. "We wanted to start something that gave parents options. Some day care centres you have to sign up for a week, but as a mom, I might be home two days, then have to work three days. There are a lot of families that come for a couple of days and others that come for an entire week. It's flexible."

That flexibility provides families with options when it comes to activities on a day to day basis.

The program operates from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every week day.

The fully qualified staff begins by creating the program agenda weeks before the kids start arriving.

"About three weeks before camp we start setting up the programs," explained head camp coordinator Amelia Pendleton. Amelia is a summer student currently working on her post-grad degree in social work with past experience in running summer programs.

"We get in touch with people in the local area that we want to visit for field trips." She said, "We try to use as much of the local facilities as we can."

Those field trips include walking to local businesses and places of interest for the kids to visit.

The day we dropped by the kids were all working on decorations that were going to be used to decorate the Centre's float in the Fiddle Festival parade.

One of the highlights of every day is an afternoon swim in the Centre's outdoor swimming pool.

You can find out more about the programs by contacting the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex.



PHOTO BY BRIAN LOCKHART

KEEPING BUSY - A group of children at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex summer day camp program show some of the crafts they made that will decorate the Centres float in the Fiddle Festival parade. The day camp offers all-day activities through the summer months.

Hill stunned by effects of 'flawed' GEA

BY WES KELLER

A recent court decision appears to have the mayor of Melancthon wondering if the Green Energy Act overrides all other laws of the land.

In a personal letter to Premier Kathleen Wynne, Mayor

Bill Hill describes as "another blow to democracy and local municipal governance as a result of your Government's Draconian and repressive Green Energy and Economy Act" (GEA) a Superior Court ruling that effectively over-

ruled the township's zoning bylaw.

"Dufferin Wind Power Inc. (Longyan Canada Renewables Ltd.) was successful in its Court Application regarding the storage of turbines on a property that was not zoned

for that activity within the Township of Melancthon.

"Our position based on solid planning advice was that the exception did not allow for the off-site storage of turbine components on a property that was not zoned for that type of use.

"However, (Superior Court) Justice Morawetz ruled in favour of Dufferin Wind Power Inc. (DWP), concluding that the storage property does form part of the Applicant's 'renewable energy undertaking.'"

The mayor goes on to say that the legislation may have granted developers of wind farms "an open license to engage in any activity without being subject to the approval process.

"Surely that could not have been the intended consequence of the amendments to the Planning Act. The lack of clarity in the Green Energy Act produced this unexpected result," the mayor says.

He describes the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) Leave to Construct the power line as "another blow" to Melancthon and the whole county "in spite of countless concerns raised by the Citizens of Melancthon and Dufferin County, the Municipalities of Melancthon, Amaranth, the Town of Shelburne and the County of Dufferin."

Mayor Hill said in his letter and in an interview that DWP, unlike other wind companies dealing with the township and landowners, has simply ridden roughshod over anyone in its path.

It is his opinion that the GEA established a climate in which the wind companies are

enabled to do that. He said no other turbine proponent has acted in similar fashion, however.

"You might not want the turbines, but everyone else has been willing to negotiate."

From the township council's viewpoint, a major problem has been DWP's position on the power line. Both Melancthon and Amaranth in other wind developments have been insistent that the power lines be underground. It is the position of both townships and the Town of Shelburne that the 230 kv line should be buried - but Mayor Hill says Melancthon had prepared suggestions of where the line could be satisfactorily placed overhead.

He says DWP has been unwilling to discuss the concept, let alone negotiate.

The unfortunate aspect appears to be the 30% ownership by a group of Melancthon farmers. But the mayor's information is that the farmers cease to be owners in any sense as soon as the wind farm goes into commercial operation.

Mayor Hill's letter to the premier - which includes a personal invitation for her to visit the township - more or less coincides with Energy Review Tribunal's hearing later this month and also with the current review of the GEA.

Shelburne rocks at the Battle of the Bands

BY ALEX SHER

Talent! Talent! Talent! And it all happened in Shelburne, Wednesday, August 7 at the Shelburne Arena as the Battle of the Bands wowed those fortunate enough to hear.

Although both audience attendance and competitors were lower in number than in previous years, quality prevailed once again making Shelburne the place to be to hear great music of every genre.

First up in performing sequence was the young and talented The Hollow Sea which was described by lead singer, Nick Couture as a hard core band. Though the music is not mainstream, the quality and talent shone through undeniably. The band members are from Shelburne and Orangeville, have been playing for three years together and have been performing all over Southern Ontario. Complete with fans proudly wearing

their band's logo on T-shirts, this is a band followers of this kind of music better be on the watch for in the future. Guitarist Ryan Bauerle has this to say, "It's great to compete but also it's great to support the Rotary Club." Go to their facebook page www.facebook.com/thehollowseato download their music for free and see what you missed out on if you didn't make the battle.

Next up, and also from Shelburne and surrounding area, were newcomers, having only played together for eight months, Hit Disturbers, dazzled crowds with Classic Rock and even some Johnny Cash. It was their first time performing at the Battle of The Bands and they didn't disappoint, attracting a different fan base from The Hollow Sea, feet were tapping and some audience members even tried to sing along. Visit this band at their facebook page and see

YouTube videos marking their progress since the band's inception. <https://www.facebook.com/TheHitDisturbers>

Third up, performing last in the list of competitors was Wasted Measures, not new to the competition having attended the past two years. Lead Singer, Luke Ryan described why the band enjoys coming to Shelburne to compete saying, "The competition not only brings local together, it gives bands a chance to showcase to the community."

A visit to this band's facebook page will reveal the diversity of talent and range of ability as the members easily transition from pop to reggae, punk rock, classic rock, grunge and the list goes on. Appealing to a wide fan base this band clearly does not limit themselves to a type of music perhaps creating a new genre where bands are not restricted to a single style of performance. Limitless talent is expected by all for next year's

battle. <https://www.facebook.com/wastedmeasures>

Rotary President, Frank Fender and host of the event points out, "This is the third time we've hosted the Battle of the Bands and although I am disappointed because there are not more bands, and more people in attendance, it's still a great charitable event. All money earned will go to charity."

Fender was eager for a huge crowd as crowd shout outs and applause is how the competitors are judged. Whichever band raised the roof more, was the winner. That being said, Hit Disturbers took first place winning \$1000, Wasted Measures took second winning \$700.00, and Hollow Sea took third winning \$300.

Any way you slice it, Shelburne's Battle of The Bands was another success that hopes to welcome all three bands back again and hopefully even more bands will attend in support of the Rotary Club.



PHOTO BY ALEX SHER

The Hollow Sea shook Shelburne with talent, taking home third place winning \$300 at Shelburne's Battle of the bands. (L to R) Daniel Couture Guitar and Vocals, Lead Singer Nick Couture, Eddie Stannard, Drummer, and Ryan Bauerle on Bass.



First timers and newcomers, Hit Disturbers rocked the house taking first place at The Battle of Bands cashing in on a \$1000 prize. (L to R) Josh Bolton on Bass, Dan Jensin on Drums, Ken Goss, Lead Singer and Max Decicco, Guitar.



Nothing wasted on Shelburne as Wasted Measures took home the second place prize of \$700 after entertaining audiences in almost every genre! (L to R) On Bass, Ian Stoodley, on Drums, Josh Ouellette, Lead Singer, Ryan Luke, and Ben Riddell, Guitar.



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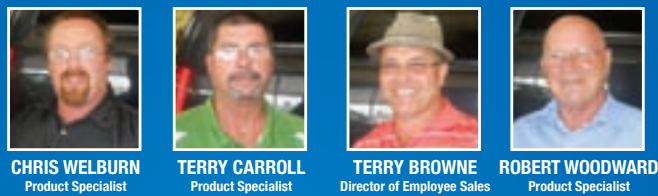
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