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FISHING ON THE RIVER: With so many activities cancelled this summer, fishing has become even more popular as many people take up the sport for the first time. Beckett and Aavery try their luck in the lake at the Pine River Provincial Fishing Area in Mulmur on Thursday, July 2. For more, see Page 8.

Shelburne Council hosts special community meeting to discuss transitioning to OPP

Written By PAULA BROWN

Shelburne Town Council held a special meeting on Tuesday (July 7) for a public information session from the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP).

The meeting was an opportunity for Council and the community to ask their questions following the second OPP costing, presented back on June 22.

Similar to the first costing public information session that took place in April 2019, elected officials and community members raised question regarding response times, financial costs, and police presence for local youth in the schools. The public information presentation was presented by OPP Sgt. Ken Kee and Staff Sgt. Nicol Randall.

Leonard Guchardi asked if the OPP would guarantee the same level of engagement with the schools.

"The same level of service can be expected if the OPP were to be chosen and the OPP is open to working with the community to enhance those relationships, it is expected that the faces you see on the current Shelburne Police Service should a decision to

transition to OPP will be the same face you see in the community," said Sgt. Kee.

Regarding questions about response times Sgt. Kee said that the OPP does not track response times and that he couldn't offer any guarantees for response times but added Shelburne residents can expect the same level of service they've grown accustomed to.

Residents also brought up questions regarding Leamington, Ont., who recently terminated their \$5.4 million contract with the OPP following discrepancies between the Town and OPP on the level of policing and how it could be avoided in Shelburne.

"OPP isn't going to leave after the contract ends," said Kee. "The OPP will still provide services under a non-contract arrangement until a decision is made by the municipality and arrangements are in place for another police service to take over."

Speaking on the difference of rural and urban policing Kee said that in OPP services there is no distinction between the two and that the OPP uses a model that allows for the sharing of resources.

Shelburne resident Teneisha Campbell

raised the question on the steps that will be taken by OPP to combat police brutality, racial profiling, and systemic racism. Touching on the quality of service and equality that she has experienced with SPS, Campbell asked, "What can the OPP offer me as a visible minority and mother of two black boys, because statistics have shown that we are usually more likely to be racially profiled."

"The OPP is committed to ensuring our organization is a progressive place and organization in the areas of equality, diversity and inclusion," said Sgt. Kee.

Deputy Mayor Steve Anderson, early in the question period broached the question of whether the OPP would be prepared to create a program to bridge the gap re-establish a trust factor visible minorities.

"Absolutely we would be supportive of that," said Kee in response.

Shelburne Town council now has six months to make a decision on whether to transition to OPP or continue with Shelburne Police. If Shelburne accepts the OPP costing, they could transition to the provincial force as early as February 2021.

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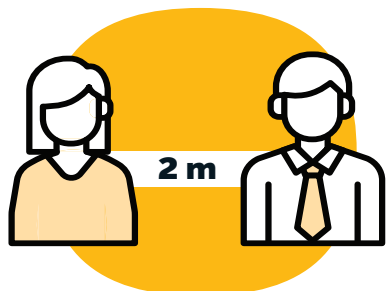
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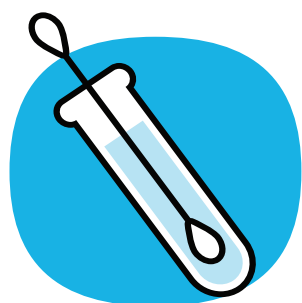
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Tory leadership candidate Peter MacKay makes campaign stop in local area

Written By MIKE BAKER

Conservative Party leadership candidate Peter MacKay kicked off a seven-day cross-province tour just outside of Caledon on Wednesday morning (July 8) as he ramps up his bid to succeed Andrew Scheer as Tory leader.

Mr. MacKay is a veteran of the federal political arena, having served six terms as a Member of Parliament between 1997 and 2015 - three for the riding of Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough and three for Central Nova. He was one of the founding fathers of the Conservative Party as it stands today, helping to merge the old Progressive Conservative Party and Canadian Alliance Party in 2003. Working alongside former Prime Minister Stephen Harper, Mr. MacKay served for nine years as the Deputy Leader of the Conservative Party, from 2004 to 2015.

Speaking to the Citizen, Mr. MacKay says the timing is right for him to make a run for Conservative leadership.

"I'm concerned about the direction of our country. I see a calling to come back," Mr. MacKay said. "There is real concern about the direction the federal government is taking us, in terms of the economy, foreign relations and our national security. I believe our country has suffered a decline under Justin Trudeau."

Pointing towards an impressive resume, which includes stints as Minister of Justice, Minister of National Defence and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. MacKay feels he's the candidate best to take the fight to Prime Minister Trudeau in the next federal election, slated to take place on, or before, Oct. 16, 2023.

The financial implications of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic will be drastic, and with the federal government already shouldering a \$100 billion deficit prior to coronavirus reaching our shores, Mr. MacKay is concerned about the Liberals' ability to manage an ever-increasing shortfall.

In retrospect, he looks back on the "extremely challenging" financial crisis of 2007-2008 and the measures he helped put into place to ensure Canada remained financially responsible during difficult times.

"We entered the recession with a balanced budget, we addressed big challenges that hit the Canadian economy hard. We implemented infrastructure-spending programs, we implemented stimulus programs, and they were timely, they were targeted and they had the desired impact of keeping a lot of those businesses sustained through that period. We emerged stronger than a lot of other countries from that period, I would argue," Mr. MacKay said. "That's not the case we are encountering right now. We entered this period with a \$100 billion deficit, and we're going to emerge with a \$300 billion deficit by the sounds of things."

He added, "That experience in government, the experience in the aftermath of what we call the Deficit Reduction Action Plan also is a unique experience I have, working alongside other members of the cabinet to set up a treasury board to get the economy moving back in the right direction after the crisis. Low and behold we managed to balance the budget again in 2015, against all odds."

While stabilizing the economy will, in all likelihood, be the first order of business for whoever emerges victorious from the next federal election, Mr. MacKay was a variety of other ideas he hopes to be able to bring to the table.

He sees housing and transportation as key issues in big urban centres, while ensuring businesses remain open and Canadians retain their jobs are also top of mind.

"The overall concern has to be jobs, getting Canadians back to work and keeping businesses viable, and making the necessary adjustments to the economy to do just that," Mr. MacKay said. "I'd like to look at making our tax system more competitive, look at developing our manufacturing sector and tech sector,



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TALKING POLITICS: Conservative leadership candidate Peter MacKay discussed his campaign with the Free Press on Wednesday.

and repatriating companies in ways that brings jobs and opportunities back to Canada.

"We very much need to embrace our natural resource sector - so that means getting our liquified natural gas to market, focusing on our grains and agricultural sector, on mining and fisheries. We have enormous gifts in this country that we have, frankly, seen underperforming because of a lack of cooperation between government overregulation, and in some cases a philosophical opposition to the development of our energy sector," Mr. MacKay continued.

Speaking to the energy sector specifically, Mr. MacKay feels Canada is in a prime position to become a global leader in green energy-related technologies. He would like to see the federal government work closely with nations such as India, who still rely on dirty energy, such as coal, on a day-to-day basis.

"If we can become a supplier of liquified natural gas to regions like India, and other Asian Pacific countries, this would not only be fantastic for the Canadian economy, but it would allow us to reinvest into new green technologies," Mr. MacKay said. "This is something not often associated with the Conservative Party, but my belief, my vision is if we're able to help lower greenhouse gas emissions in our jurisdictions by supplying clean Canadian liquified natural gas, we become real players. We would really be doing something to help global emissions."

Also in attendance on Wednesday was Dufferin-Caledon MP Kyle Seeback, who was one of the first sitting members of the Conservative caucus to publicly support Mr. MacKay. He believes the former deputy leader has the right mix of values, experience and character to bring the Conservative Party together to combat Prime Minister Trudeau.

"I think Peter has everything you need in a prime minister. You have someone who has lots of experience, both in politics and outside politics. He speaks well. He knows policy. He's a passionate guy too. He's really passionate about Canada and changing course from what we have with Justin Trudeau. I think he's the right man for the job," Mr. Seeback said.

"Peter has always been the guy to bring people together. That's his legacy in politics. He was one of the two people who brought the Progressive Conservative Party and Canadian Alliance Party together, and that was a tough merger. If he can do something like that, he can certainly deal with all the different factions that go on within the Conservative Party," Mr. Seeback concluded.

Mr. MacKay is up against Durham MP Erin O'Toole, Hastings-Lennox and Addington MP Derek Sloan and Leslyn Lewis in the race for leadership.

"Speaking humbly, no other candidate in this race has that experience in government that I do," Mr. MacKay said. "I was in three major portfolios, as well as a fourth economic portfolio that had to do with all of Atlantic Canada. We need to win seats in regions like Atlantic Canada, Quebec and Ontario, and I believe I can deliver."



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Dufferin EMS chief says overdose calls 'still common' in region

Written By PAULA BROWN

Shelburne is not immune to drugs and overdoses.

This is the message Sgt. Paul Neumann says the Shelburne Police Services (SPS) was wanting to get across in a recent press release, following a drug overdose in the community.

"The idea was to bring awareness so that everybody recognizes first that we are not immune to these things," said Stg. Neumann.

In mid-June Shelburne Police and Dufferin County Paramedics responded to a call for an overdose finding a person unresponsive and not breathing. An officer administered Narcan (naloxone), initiated CPR and the patient became responsive again, with further treatment administered by paramedics while en route to Headwaters hospital. The patient survived.

According to the Government of Canada Science, Health and Data website, there were 3,823 deaths nationwide in 2019 due to drug overdoses. In total, last year, there were 21,000 suspected opioid-related overdoses that required medical attention. Further data showed that 94 percent of the overdoses were accidental.

"I would definitely say our addictions to both alcohol and drugs have increased over time, certainly," said Dufferin EMS Chief Tom Reid, who has been a paramedic for almost 37 years.

From January 2019 to September 2019 Dufferin County recorded 178 overdoses, evidence

of the worsening opioid crisis. Local emergency responders have tried, in recent years, to do their part to educate the community about the dangers of illicit drugs, forming the Dufferin Overdose Awareness Council. Launched in 2017, the organization is made up of members from Dufferin EMS, Family Transition Place and both the Orangeville and Shelburne police services.

The organization's mandate? To save lives. From Jan. 2016 to Dec. 2019, there were 15,393 apparent opioid-related deaths nationwide. Statistics show a dangerous upwards trajectory in the number of deaths year over year from 2016 to 2018, with 3,017 deaths occurring in 2016, 4,100 deaths occurring in 2017, and 4,460 deaths occurring in 2018. While the first half of 2019 appeared to be following that upwards trend, with 2,159 deaths reported between January and June, the curve dipped for the second half of the year, with 1,641 deaths occurring between July and December.

With Mr. Reid indicating numbers weren't particularly dropping across the County, Sgt. Neumann says that Shelburne Police feel they have fewer numbers compared to the surrounding areas.

"We've had two overdoses reported to us, that we as police have responded to, in the last two years," said Neumann. "It's not like we're are going to them on a weekly or monthly bases."

He added, "It's maybe not as bad as some of

the bigger areas, but it certainly is here in our community of Dufferin County. We need to be aware of it and do whatever we can to prevent it."

In comparison to the number of calls that Shelburne Police have responded to, Dufferin EMS reports so far this year show 97 calls for assistance with overdoses. These numbers are based on how a patient presents at a scene when paramedics arrive.

In an email to the Free Press, Chief Reid noted that Dufferin EMS overdose data had slowed down during the COVID-19 pandemic but have already seen increased numbers since the reopening and suggests that the numbers will likely be high in 2020.

While statistics posted on the Government of Canada website support the general belief that overdoses, generally speaking, occur amongst the younger generation, males specifically, Chief Reid has previously made the point that the epidemic, at least locally, does not discriminate.

"This is an issue that isn't isolated to any particular group," Mr. Reid told the Free Press back in September 2019. "When you talk about people having pre-judgements about who suffers with addiction, it's everyone. I can tell you that as a matter of fact. I can absolutely assure you that this is not an isolated issue. I can't get into specifics because of confidentiality, but this is something that is happening (to different people and different age groups). This isn't one

group, this is happening to our community."

He spent time discussing how people can look out for and spot an overdose, while explaining one potential method for success should you find yourself in a situation where you have to treat someone suffering from an overdose.

"When you see that a person is unconscious, or know that someone may have had too much of something, make sure you call 911. Get them the help they need," Mr. Reid stated. "If the individual is unconscious, we want to make sure people are starting artificial respiration. Lay the individual on their back, tilting their head back and breath for them (mouth-to-mouth) every five seconds. If there's no pulse, start CPR."

He added, "Naloxone is great, but if they're not breathing, it doesn't do much for them. For every minute a person isn't breathing, their possibility of being resuscitated decreases by ten percent. So, it's really important to start breathing, apply naloxone and call 911. By having those three things together, that increases the chances of survival. That's what we need to coach people to do. That will help us to save more lives."

Cocaine, methamphetamines, opioids, and fentanyl are a few of the drugs that both Shelburne Police and Dufferin EMS say they've seen over the years.

"One of our biggest concern is not one specific drug, but a cocktail of drugs," said Chief Reid. "It makes it more difficult to treat."



PHOTO: PAULA BROWN

TWINNING: Renee (#37) and Rambo are twin calves that were born 11 days apart with one being born on June 10 and the other June 21 at the Morningcall Farm in Mulmur.

Twin cows born 11 days apart may be a first-time happening

Written By PAULA BROWN

Patsy Glover and Doug Martin, owners of Morningcall Farm, never expected that when one of their cows gave birth to a calf last month, that 11 days later a second one – a twin – would be born alive and healthy.

"We never expected it, there were no signs, she [the cow] wasn't doing anything," said Glover in an interview at the Mulmur-based farm.

She added, "It's quite an experience, because nobody have ever heard of this before, ever."

The duo, which Glover has taken to calling the miracle twins, are now better known as Renee and Rambo. Both are names picked out by Glover.

"I call him Rambo because he was in there for 11 days, ramming to come out," said Glover. "I call her Renee because I like the name."

Scrumptious, the 6-year-old mother to the duo, first gave birth to Renee back on June 10th. Glover recalls that it was just beginning to get dark when she noticed, looking through an upstairs window of their home, odd behaviour from a few of the other cows in the pasture of their Mulmur farm. When her husband Doug went out to check, he found a new born calf. On June 21, 11 days after Renee's arrival, Glover says her hus-

band was cleaning a part of their barn out when he found Rambo.

"[He] noticed a calf and questioned how it had gotten out of the field and into the barn," said Glover. "Looking closer he realized that it was a new calf – it was still wet."

Scrumptious, Rambo, and Renee are a breed of cow known as Hereford, which according to the Canadian Hereford Association, an organization that handles registry of the breed and its profitability, is known for being fertile and docile.

When the calves were first born, Glover reached out to some of the bigger breeders in Western Canada, none who have heard of an experience like this one. Contacting the Canadian Hereford Association, she's been asked to have the DNA of Renee and Rambo tested.

"We just take two hairs out of each of their tails," said Glover.

Laying on the hay of their pen in the barn, the duo are curled together, sleeping through the heat, Glover says they're always together. The two also have their own personalities.

"She's a wire, she loves to be would up and he's kind of laid back," said Glover.

Looking on at the calves, Glover still speaks about the surprise of Rambo being alive and healthy.

"11 days in there and still living, I can't believe it," she said.

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Try something new

I was perusing around a Canadian Tire store the other day in the sporting goods and recreation departments.

It's one of my favourite stores and I'm sure a lot of people would agree it's the go-to place for many shoppers.

I asked the young woman in the fitness department if they carried a certain product.

She gave me this little grimace and said "we probably don't have any."

We walked over to the shelving that normally holds all these items and it was empty – totally empty.

"We've sold out," she said.

She explained that they have been selling a lot of workout equipment – way more than usual.

"It's because of COVID," she said. "Everyone is staying home so everyone is working out at home."

After selling out, the store was having difficulty replenishing the items because of supply lines. That seems to be a common occurrence for a lot of things as I've come up short a few times trying to buy different items.

With so many recreational activities either cancelled or limited by restrictions, it seems people have shifted their direction of interest to stay busy or fight off the

boredom of not being able to take part in so many things.

There's an upside for some businesses and for some people they have a renewed passion for something they used to do or have recently taken up.

Garden centres have been doing a brisk business since the spring.

If you can't go to the gym to work out, you can always trim your trees or dig some holes and plant some new ones.

One garden centre owner told me he's never seen so many well cared for properties and lawns as he has this year.

With extra time on their hands, home owners have spent that time making sure their lawns and gardens are looking extra special.

I share a fence with a neighbor. It finally needed to be replaced. He bought the lumber and we split the cost.

Then he spent several days out there rebuilding. He's a handy kind of guy with enough power tools to open his own contracting company.

When I complimented him on his work and the fact that he toiled away so well, he replied he actually enjoyed it because 'It got him out of the house.'

It may also have been a good year for Lloyd Christmas and Harry Dunn to open

their "I Got Worms!" store.

The fish bait industry must be doing a brisk business. A lot of people are spending time casting their rods at local fishing holes. While many people are veteran anglers and spending more time at their favourite shoreline or in their boat, there are a lot of people taking up the sport for the first time.

You can get outdoors and stay the mandatory six feet apart without even being aware of social distancing.

I've been in my local Tim Horton's and found myself surrounded by locals grabbing a coffee with fishing gear in tow as they plan to head to the local lake and snag some bass or perch.

Somewhere out there, there are worm pickers who are making a bundle working overtime.

If you like activities that involve a little more fitness, cycling is booming.

There are more bicyclists peddling about than ever before. Long distance riding is popular and mountain biking seems to be a good pastime for those wanting to get away from the computer and out of the house.

What could be more COVID-safe than cruising down a wooded trail?

Then there's good old fashioned walk-

ing. Hiking trails have been super busy this summer.

While the Bruce Trail route and Island Lake and other conservation areas usually enjoy a busy summer season, they are absolutely packed this year.

I quite often pass several rural parking lots with access to the Bruce Trail and there are always cars parked there even during midweek afternoons.

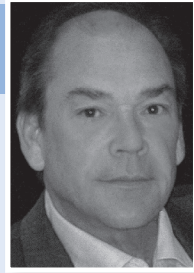
There's everyone from young kids to senior citizens strapping on their hiking boots and roaming along the trails.

The one thing I would imagine is missing this summer for young people is finding that summer girlfriend / boyfriend. When I was a teenager most of my summer was dedicated to meeting a girl either at summer camp or some other fair, carnival, beach, or amusement park.

I'm pretty sure that hasn't changed, but how are people going to meet this year?

If you can't enjoy your usual activities this summer, this is your chance to try something new.

As for my workout routine, until they get some new equipment in, I'll have to settle for carrying the trash bags to the curb.



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FROM THE SECOND ROW

Editorial

Let's all 'go with the flow'

PERHAPS IT WAS the pandemic, but for some reason we've heard nothing about Ontario's timid proposal to try raising the 100 km/h speed limit on a couple of freeways to 110 km/h, or almost the 70 m.p.h. limit they all once had.

Our suspicion is that the 10 km/h hike had little or no measurable effect, apart from slightly reducing the number of speeding tickets handed out, with most of the traffic continuing to move at about 120 km/h.

We don't know for a fact but strongly suspect that Ontario's speed laws are unique, at least in Canada. Where else in the world do you find a situation where a five-lane highway (with a centre turning lane) has the same speed limit, 80 km/h, as a dirt road in a rural area, where all roadways have an 80 km/h limit unless they are posted?

The experiment with 110 km/h was announced back in May 2019 and implemented last September. The higher limit applied to Highway 402 between London and Sarnia as well as stretches of the Queen Elizabeth Way and Highway 417 but for some reason not for any portion of the Highway 407 toll road or Highways 400 and 401, the province's first two freeways, despite the fact 400 will soon extend north to Sudbury.

Interestingly, in announcing the test, Jeff Yurek, then Ontario's Transportation minister, said the time had come to review the province's speed limits. However, he has since been replaced as minister by Caroline Mulroney, who may not see any need for what most Ontario drivers see as a long-overdue move.

The last real review of the province's speed laws came back in the 1960s, when John Robarts replaced Leslie Frost as premier. Mr. Frost saw no need ever to depart from a law that saw 50 m.p.h. (80 km/h) as the uniform law in rural areas and 30 m.p.h. (50 km/h) everywhere in urban areas, no matter what the quality of the roadway.

In the Robarts era the speed limits rose to 70 m.p.h. (nearly 120 km/h) on the freeways and 60 m.p.h. (about 100 km/h) on modern two-lane highways.

Those limits remained in place until the Arab oil embargoes of the 1970s, when then premier Bill Davis went the United States one step further, choosing 50 m.p.h. instead of 55 m.p.h. as the general limit, but reducing the freeway limits only to 60 m.p.h. And there they have stayed for nearly half a century, while limits in the U.S. are currently as high as 85 m.p.h. on some Interstate highways and most Canadian provinces have limits of up to 120 km/h on freeways and 100 on ordinary highways.

So now that Ontario's economy is starting to recover from COVID-19 and travel is no longer being discouraged, what should be recommended for drivers facing a continued lack of reform of speed laws that were designed to cope with oil shortages?

As we see it, there is a crying need for a campaign aimed at reducing unsafe passing on two-lane highways.

The theme the current government should adopt and proclaim along such roads is "Go with the flow!" In other words, plead with the driving public to adopt whatever speed is being followed by the vast majority of drivers, rather than try to pass or stubbornly stick to an unrealistically low speed limit.

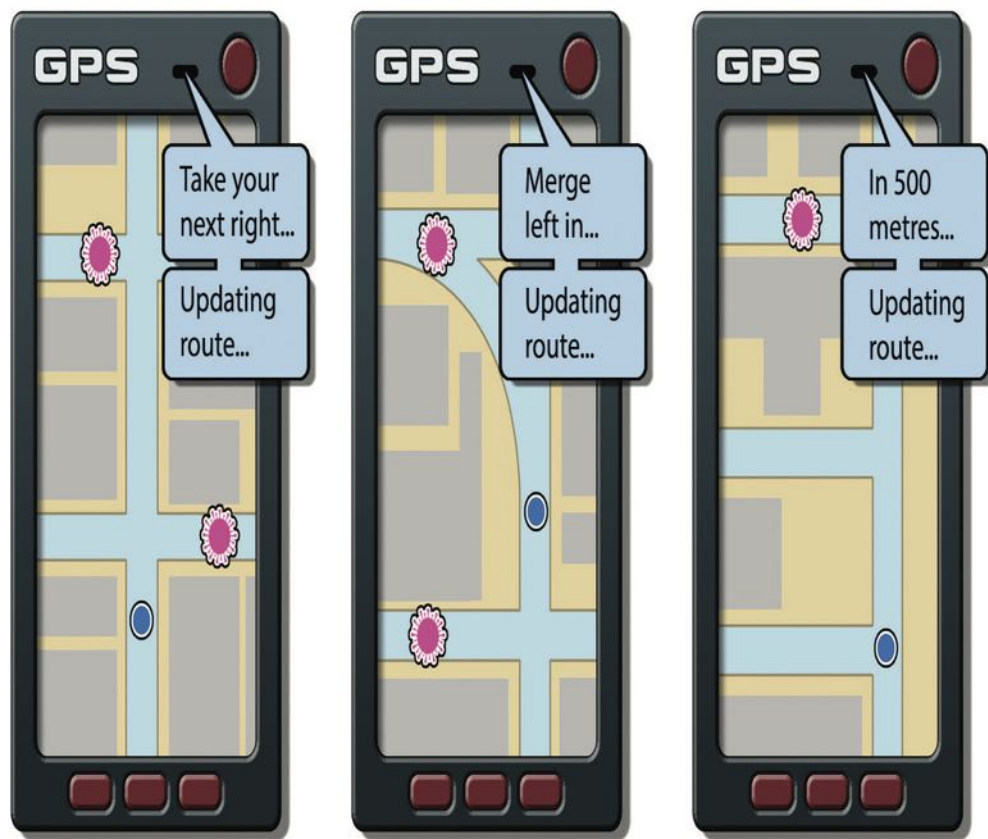
Hopefully, the current Conservative government should adopt the "85 per cent" rule, having speed limits set at the speed not exceeded by 85 per cent of drivers.

Our strong suspicion is that such an approach would result in 120 km/h being chosen as the limit for rural freeways and 100 for rural multi-lane highways such as Highway 10 between Orangeville and Brampton.

Elsewhere in the province, two-lane highways should be posted at either 90 or 100 depending on the rural population density and the remoteness of the roadway in question.

Another badly needed reform would be elimination of local speed limits that have been imposed simply because of pressure from residents who don't like to see traffic moving at highways speeds on what used to be gravel roads.

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RBC employee Andrea Whitten retires after 32 years on the job

Written By PAULA BROWN

An exciting and emotional day is how Shelburne resident Andrea Whitten described her final shift at Shelburne's Royal Bank of Canada (RBC), after retiring from a 32-year career.

Whitten called an end to her three decade long career at the bank last Thursday (July 2), where co-workers held a pop-in celebration for her, allowing clients to give her their well wishes.

"I've seen lots of people I haven't seen for a while," said Whitten touching on the experience of the day, jokingly adding, "They made me kind of work, but not too bad."

In an interview with the Free Press to discuss her years with the bank, Whitten spoke about her journey into the Canadian banking industry, her memories throughout the years, and her plans for retirement.

"I'm happy, but at the same time know I'm not going to see some people as often as I do now," said Whitten. "I really enjoy working with the clients and really enjoyed my customer service part – that's the fun part."

Andrea first joined the team at RBC back in 1988. At the time she was 27 years old. Previously working in the city in the hotel industry, Whitten says she knew a lot of the women that worked at the bank at the time, and somewhat stumbled into a position with

the local bank after being called to see if she wanted a job. In her career at the bank Whitten has had many roles, from working as a teller to most recently manager of client care. Over the years she's become a "jack of all trades" within the small branch.

Since her start in the field, Whitten says she's seen a lot of change within the world of banking. Things are a lot different now than there were 32 years ago.

"At first there was no banking machine – that was the old printers –and everybody had their cheques, there was no automatic deposit so people stood in line every Thursday night, Friday night to cash their cheques or deposit them – so a lot different than now."

Over the course of her career, Andrea has made many memories, bringing up the time she won the annual RBC convention cruise. Unsurprisingly, however, some of her most exciting times, she says, lie with her co-workers.

"For me some of my exciting times is just being able to do things with my colleagues," said Whitten. "We've had a lot of fun."

Beth Boyd, who was trained by Andrea and has worked with her for 14 years, spoke with the Free Press describing Whitten as her best friend. She went on record to state how proud she is of her friend's many accomplishments over the years.



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HAPPY RETIREMENT: Andrea Whitten retired from RBC last Thursday (July 2) after 32-years in the Canadian banking company.

"The Shelburne community, the RBC community will miss her immensely," said Boyd.

With the wrap of her three decade career, Andrea says that she doesn't know what she will do in retirement but plans to just spend time at home.

"It's more kind of relaxing and getting my bearings, look at my house, read a book and spend time with my family," said Whitten laughing. "All the fun stuff."

Local pair spreading joy through the community via Cupcakes from the Heart

Written By PAULA BROWN

Two local businesses have found their own unique way to honour the Shelburne community members, launching a new partnered initiative Cupcakes from the Heart.

"We decided to do a partnership where we are honouring people that are stepping up to the plate and doing something special in our community. With COVID-19, and with everything else happening within our community, we wanted to step up and do our part" said Claire Knight, a real estate agent at Go With Crowe and one of the organizers of the initiative.

The eight week initiative, which started back on May 18, is a partnership between local businesses Go With Crowe and Sadie's Sweet Boutique. The initiative looks to recognize local heroes, volunteers, neighbours or friends by handing out delicious cupcakes.

"Every Saturday we honour somebody within the Shelburne community who has gone above and beyond to help others, or has gone above and beyond to do something within the community specifically," said

Knight.

Recipients of the sweet treats are nominated through comments on social media posts and through emailing Knight. The recipient is then chosen from a small committee.

"Everything from businesses, pharmacists, and people that are slow within their own businesses in the Shelburne area that are doing something that's giving back to the community," said Knight. "The people that are just everyday citizens that are doing special things to try and make people's lives better, whether it's a food bank, making masks, or whatever."

Knight estimates that there have been 120 nominations in the weeks since the initiative started.

"We have been absolutely inundated with nominations, to the point where we actually had to put together a nomination committee the second week," said Knight.

Previous nominees include the first recipient AJ Cavey, Andrea Davis, Gavin Whitten, Ardith Dunlop, Austin Lethbridge, Randy Narine, Amber Kinsley, and Sanjay Lekhi.

Cupcakes from the Heart honoured Lesa Peat, the president of Shelburne's Legion on Saturday (July 4), who was recognized for her dedication and support to veterans and seniors in the community.

"I was humbled and honoured to hear this, to have them do it," said Peat while receiving the cupcakes.

Cupcakes from the Heart is now entering the final week of the initiative.



PHOTO: PAULA BROWN

TASTY TREAT: Lesa Peat, president of the Shelburne Legion, was gifted cupcakes on Saturday (July 4) as part of a local initiative honouring community members. Pictured is Lesa (left) and Dave Crowe (right) from Go With Crowe Real Estate.

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9. Beat it!

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17. Defense

18. Brotherhood, for short

19. Trigonometric function

20. Eatery

21. Cloddish

23. Step

25. Swirl

26. Biblical pronoun

28. Matured

30. Wrap

33. Lily plant

36. Senility

40. Sheer

41. Type of school

42. Eventually

43. Lumberjack's tool

44. Fluster

46. Marry in haste

47. Period

49. Sheeplike

51. Billiards shot

54. Window topper

56. Passe

59. Disturb

61. Hawaiian goose

62. Opera solo

63. Disconnect

64. Julep flavor

65. Set in

66. Light tan

68. Type of exercise

70. Word-of-mouth

73. Pundit

76. Fertilizer

80. Well-founded

82. Taste-worthy

84. Double curve

85. Flavoring seed

86. Whim

87. Principle

88. Supple

89. Sundown direction

90. Cry out

DOWN

1. Facts, briefly

2. Short-billed rail

3. Take it easy

4. Name

5. Life story, briefly

6. Once

7. Islamic prince

8. Go back on a promise

9. Pathetic

10. Customers

11. Fruit skin

12. In the sack

13. Muddy

15. Tooth pain

16. Far and ____

22. "____ Stoops to Conquer"

24. Dull-witted person

27. Otologist's concern

29. Adult females

30. Whirlpool bath

31. Prom wear

32. Mined matter

34. Oblivion

35. Elect

37. Hubbub

38. Space

39. Seeing organ

41. Supportive of

42. LXX

45. Wool fabric

47. Institute

48. Calm

50. Strong resentment

51. Angered

52. Mellow

53. Make a lap

55. Black cuckoo

56. Globe

57. Tell a tall tale

58. Patriarch

60. "____ Magic Moment"

62. Loving

64. Lea

65. Freudian term

67. Actress Verdon

69. Exposed

70. Presidential office shape

71. Indian princess

72. Came to ground

74. Small amount

75. Long-legged wader

77. Malaria symptom

78. Hawk

79. Bounder

81. Barely passing grade

83. Real-estate parcel

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SHELBURNE SPORTS

CDRC staff prepping swimming pool for summer fun

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

Inflate your water wings and get your beach towel out of that back room closet – the pool at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex is being prepped to open for some summer fun.

It may be a late start for outdoor swimming this year, but after some debate it was decided to go ahead and get the water ready for visitors who want to beat the summer heat with a dip in the pool.

The pool is expected to open for the public on July 13, however there will be a few changes for visitors this year.

If you want to swim at the pool, you should come prepared.

Change rooms will not be open to the public so make sure you arrive ready to go directly into the pool.

There will also be a limit on the number of people allowed in the pool area to keep in line with social distancing protocols.

“We are hoping to open by July 13,” explained Emily Francis, recreation program coordinator at the Recreation Centre. “We haven’t decided on the number of people allowed in the pool yet. We’re still in the process of getting through everything and finalizing those numbers. Change rooms won’t be available but there will be access to the washrooms.”

Swimming lessons will be available this summer with limitations.

“We are hoping to run swimming lessons but they will look a little bit different than in the past because we can’t have big groups any more and we have to allow for six feet between people,” Emily explained. “We’ll have private and semi-private lessons as well as small groups.”

If you do decide to go for a dip, you will have to access the pool directly at the side



PHOTO: BRIAN LOCKHART

POOL BEING PREPPED: The crew at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex is getting the pool ready for visitors. The pool is expected to open on July 13, however there will be a limited number of people allowed at one time, and change rooms will not be available.

gate. Visitors will not be allowed to enter the Recreation Centre through the front doors.

Several municipalities around the region while others have made the decision to keep their pools closed for the summer.

Ontario Baseball issues new protocols for the diamond post-COVID-19

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

Ontario Baseball, the governing body of the sport in Ontario, has released its guidelines for a return to the sport in the province.

The executive released a statement with the rules pertaining to organized practices on local diamonds.

The association is now allowing two events on one baseball diamond. This means that two different group of not more than ten people each, can participate in separate practices on the same field.

Everyone must stay in their own group and there can be no players, coaches, or any other person participating in both groups.

Any and all equipment must be sanitized prior to a practice and all practices must adhere to social distancing protocols while on the field.

The statement goes on to say the diamonds being used must be age group appropriate.

“For example, one full size (regulation) diamond can be used to accommodate two 10-person events of any age category. “Regulation” meaning at least 300’ down left/right

field, and 350’ at centre field. However, at a 13U-sized diamond, participants in older age categories (14U+) would be limited to one 10-person event. Participants in 13U and younger age categories could have two 10-person events at a 13U-sized diamond.”

The association stressed that full team practices are still not permitted as long as provincial restrictions on public gatherings is limited to ten people.

There has been some activity on baseball diamonds in the region with some teams already starting to practice.

However, the Town of Shelburne is not yet allowing the use of town owned park facilities for league activities. Only members of the same household can use any facilities and any activities must be limited to groups of ten.

The Town has decided to extend the closure of sports fields to July 20.

The Town will be taking another look at the situation one week prior to that date and plans to issue an update at the time.

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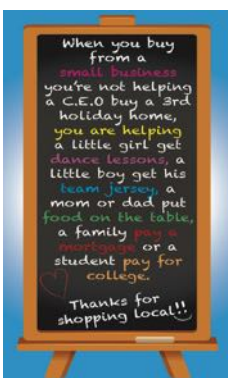
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People turning to fishing in record numbers during pandemic

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

With a lot of activities still restricted or not taking place at all, many people have turned to fishing to get outside and enjoy an afternoon.

While many people have been taking their rod and reel to local water ways for years, others are newer to the sport and just starting to give it a try.

Fishing as a sport has seen an increase across the province this year with conservation areas reporting more people than ever trying their luck at local ponds and lakes.

The Pine River Provincial Fishing Area

in Mulmur provides a great outdoor spot to try your luck at catching brook trout and other varieties of fish in the lake.

This hidden gem of a park is located on River Road in Mulmur and is surrounded by a treed area on both sides giving the impression you are on some remote lake up north.

Beckett and Avery came out to the park during an afternoon just to get outside and cast their bait into the lake.

"There's some pretty big fish out there," Avery summed up as he cast his line into the lake.

His pal Beckett said "I think it's a good fishing area. I'd like to get farther out in the

lake because I think there's bigger fish out there."

The lake was stocked last year with thousands of brook trout.

It was a family day at the lake and Karen brought her son just he could get outside and meet with a friend for a change.

"It's an area that is close to us and safe," she said. "It's a place we could come with the kids and it's not very busy. We can be respectful of social distancing and still be outdoors and getting some vitamin D."

Angling provides a great opportunity for some outdoor relaxation while still maintaining social distancing.



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REEL IT IN: A pair of local youth try their hand at fishing this past weekend at The Pine River Provincial Fishing Area.

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