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CDDHS student preparing to compete in Miss Teenage Canada

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Elizabeth Unwin, a student at Centre Dufferin District High School, is preparing to compete on the national stage in Miss Teenage Canada 2021 at the end of August, after being awarded the title of Miss Teenage Dufferin County.

"It doesn't feel real and I have no idea how I managed to do it," Unwin tells the Free Press. "I didn't expect to place. It's something so big, that I didn't even think I would be able to do or would happen to me especially the first time competing."

Last month, Unwin travelled to Vaughan to compete in Miss Teenage Ontario, a preliminary pageant to Miss Teenage Canada, with more than 30 other contestants between the ages of 13 and 19.

Taking part in her first pageant, she earned a high enough score to be awarded the title of Miss Teenage Dufferin County 2021 and move on to the national competition.

Established in 2008, the Miss Teenage

pageants are recognized as some of Canada's most accomplished teen competitions. According to the Miss Teenage Canada website over 70 finalists from across the country compete for the crown each year.

Originally a competitive dancer, the local 15-year-old from Mono has spent that last nine years learning ballet, jazz, tap, and musical theatre. Speaking with the Free Press, Unwin said it is through competitive dance that she became interested in pageants.

"There's a little bit of pageantry in dance," said Unwin.

While pageants are often known to the general public for their "looks" aspect, the Miss Teenage Canada pageant says their motto is "be your own kind of beautiful".

"The pageant itself really pushes not being the perfect person, but being the best version of yourself and having the confidence to stand up and speak about what you think is right, and the things that you care about," said Unwin.

During the competition, contestants are judged on a number of factors including

how they walk, and their choices of "evening wear" and "active wear" (formerly the swim suite segment), but they are also required to deliver a 30-second platform speech.

Unwin took her 30 seconds to speak about bettering the education system.

"[The education system] is very much made for a certain type of person to excel. At my school we learn about our learning styles, but instead of incorporating everybody's learning style into the curriculum, they just incorporate the one. If you do not fit that learning style then you are expected to teach yourself in a way that works best for you, and that shouldn't happen," explained Unwin.

As part of her role in Miss Teenage Ontario and Miss Teenage Canada, Unwin has also been raising money for Make a Wish Canada through a GoFundMe (gofund.me/1b42829c) and has a goal of \$400.

"It's been hard with COVID because you can't go out and do things, but I'm trying my best," said Unwin.

Unwin will compete for Miss Teenage Canada during the final week of August.

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Sunflowers are a “growing” attraction at Divine Amaranth Gardens

Written By **Paula Brown**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Sunflower fields have become a popular spot for those looking to snap the perfect summer picture, and one local farm is looking to expand their sunflower patch.

Divine Amaranth Gardens, located along County Road 11 in Amaranth, is an heirloom produce farm started by first generation farmers Oleg and Olenka Mouzitchka.

In 2019, the couple purchased the property and are now in their second season growing and selling a variety of produce such as peppers, cauliflower, tomatoes, garlic, and berries.

With their own on-farm market, and animals ranging from goats, to chickens, and to cats, it is along the trail tour of the farm's crops where visitors can find the row of sunflowers.

Speaking with the Free Press, Olenka explains that they planted the golden flowers last year as a way to attract pollinators to their crops, and from their experience the previous year chose to grow the patch again for the 2021 season.

“We decided to add more because they did amazing for pollination and because we're in-

cluding people to come walk the property, and they really enjoy it alongside visiting our market,” said Olenka.

With COVID-19 restrictions fluctuating over the last year-and-a half, opportunities for outdoor activities have become an increasing demand, and Olenka says trips to sunflower patches are among these main activities.

While the sunflowers were originally planted on Divine Amaranth Gardens as a way to attract pollinators to the crops, Oleg and Olenka are now hoping to use them as an attraction to guests and grow the farm's agro-tourism.

“The intention was never really to attract people at the beginning, but now that it's become such a big thing, we're planning for a bigger patch next year.”

When asked, why she believes sunflower patches have become popular for visitors, Olenka said,

“The colour, it brings people happiness. The sunflowers, the sun...it gives you joy.”

Divine Amaranth Gardens is open Monday to Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. with the sunflower patch open to all visitors.



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

Olenka Mouzitchka, and her son Oleska, stand at the row of sunflowers that they hope to grow into an agro-tourism attraction for visitors of their farm, Divine Amaranth Gardens.

“Feeding our communities one step at a time”

Compass Run raising money for local food security

Written By **Jessica Laurenza**

The 8th annual Compass Run for Food, taking place virtually in October, has already begun raising money for local food security in Dufferin County with a goal of \$65,000.

The Compass Run for Food, organized by Compass Community Church, is a family-friendly run or walk sponsored by numerous local businesses; 100 per cent of the proceeds will be donated to feed families and children in Orangeville, Shelburne and Grand Valley.

Mike Braun, Race Director and member of Compass Church, heard of the growing need for food stability in local food banks and school nutrition programs which prompted him and other members to kickstart this initiative.

“We believe it's important to care for each other and this run is an opportunity for anyone to do that by supporting local food programs,” explains Braun.

As of July, \$32,000 has been donated

to local food banks and school breakfast programs with another \$33,000 projected to be donated by the end of October. A quarter of a million dollars has been raised over the past seven years of running this initiative thanks to local business sponsors, gracious supporters, volunteers and participants.

The Compass Run team is eager to watch donations grow throughout the years with the support of the community behind them.

The virtual run allows participants to choose their own starting line and run either individually or as a team at whatever pace they wish.

“We work hard to host a high-quality event that can [be] completed by everyone,” says Braun.

Online registration is now open for runners to complete the race distance anytime in October and a registration kit can be picked up in person on October 2. For more information on the race, visit www.compassrun.com.

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Mono's Drygas completes 922km trail trek and wants to do more

Written By Peter Richardson

One day this summer, Sebastian Drygas, a young man from Mono, decided to take a walk.

Well, not really a walk, but a hike, from one end of the Bruce Trail to the other: Queenston to Tobermory, 922 kilometres of forest trails and highland rocks culminating on the Bruce Peninsula jutting out into the pristine blue waters of Georgian Bay.

The idea first came to him while hiking in Algonquin Park with his mother several years ago and it never went away. He subsequently met some hikers who were attempting to complete the trail and the dream of an idea became a reality.

So, how do you do 922 kilometres in just 30 days? Well, you start with a good pair of hiking boots, a 40 pound pack and a lot of moxie. Add in some luck and a cup of determination, and you start walking north.

The Bruce trail winds its way across Southern Ontario, by way of the Niagara Escarpment before ending in Tobermory.

The cairn at trail's end in Tobermory, was erected in Canada's centennial year, 1967, marking completion of the trail for Canada's Centennial.

But back to our stalwart hiker and his ambitious endeavour.

The goal was to average 30 kilometres per day and to camp on the trail along the way.

As it turned out, his longest day was 38.6 kilometres while his shortest was in the low 20s due to the spacing of the rest centres; they were either too close together or too far apart for the 30 km pace.

As he travelled, Sebastian was occasionally accompanied by friends and family for part of the journey. In all, this totalled some fifteen days, or about half the trip.

In his pack, he carried his sleeping bag, camp stove, pot and water filters, well as clothes, and 10 days worth of freeze-dried food. He planned to restock food every 10 days along the way.

Although he did not take a store bought set of hiking poles, he did pick up a stick along the route and carved a head into the top of it to pass the time.

From the B&B owner who offered to let him sleep on the porch to a mother and

daughter who gave him a ride to a Tim-Horton's in a rainstorm, Sebastian met an assortment of helpful individuals on his quest – though not everyone was happy to see him.

When first offered the front Porch at the B&B, one of the paying guests objected to him being on the other side of the wall from them and so he was moved to a screened in gazebo on the opposite side of the building, complete with a camp cot for a better night's rest.

There was plenty of local wildlife along the trail: raccoons, deer, squirrels and even bears frequent the route, as do rattlesnakes!

The Massasauga Rattler is indigenous to the Bruce Peninsula. It is Ontario's only venomous snake.

Sebastian saw several sunning themselves on the rocks around Georgian Bay. A bite is very rare and only two people have died in the last fifty years in Ontario from Massasauga bites.

One of the highlights of the trek for 18-year-old Sebastian were all of the waterfalls in the southern part of the trail. He noted that they were very pretty and spectacular, a welcome respite from rocks and forest trails.

When asked about hardships, the rain was counted as first and heat as the second. July was not too bad for heat, but the rain struck frequently on his trek, making the rocks slippery and the ground wet and muddy, a good recipe for blisters.

Sebastian, however, had a solution. If one first rubs vaseline on their feet then wears thin nylon sock next to their skin before pulling on those heavy wooden hiking socks, blisters become a thing of the past. The wool can not rub the skin, but can still provide good protection from moisture and insulation from the elements.

It is an age old trick from soldiers an outdoorsmen that still holds true today.

So, what is next on the agenda of the adventurous man from Mono?

Well, he is giving some thought to the 3,000-odd mile Appalachian Trail from Maine to Georgia along the Appalachian Mountains, and there are some trails around Lake Superior. But they may have to wait until he returns from school, in Germany, where he has a scholarship to apprentice as a Blacksmith, beginning in



SEBASTIAN DRYGAS

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Community Library coming to Headwaters this summer

In the Spring, Headwaters was approached by two Grade 11 students from Orangeville District Secondary School (ODSS), Trinity and Victoria.

The dynamic duo is part of the Believe Leadership Club at their school. This program was created by Sarah Wells, an Olympic hurdler, and teaches the importance of leadership, entrepreneurship and mental wellness to high school students.

As part of the program, students are asked to create a passion project which is an initiative that has a goal to better the community.

Trinity and Victoria came up with the idea of creating libraries in our community to promote education and opportunity. With these libraries, a passerby can take a book and leave a book for others to read.

Headwaters hospital will be home to one of these libraries, which will be maintained and stocked regularly with appropriate books, by students at ODSS.

Currently in the building phase of the project, Trinity and Victoria, have constructed the little libraries, built entirely out of recycled wood they salvaged from old skids. The doors are made from plexiglass and the roof is shingled. They have completed painting and are now sealing the edges to protect the library from weather.

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Committee members must be a County of Dufferin resident, business owner or stakeholder who has an understanding of the impacts of racism and systemic discrimination on marginalized people and meet the following general qualifications:

- be familiar with overall community issues
- have demonstrated knowledge around diversity, equity and inclusion
- be able to build meaningful relationships and connections within the community

Council shall strive to ensure Committee membership reflects the diversity of the community with particular focus given to marginalized groups who have traditionally faced systemic discrimination including but not limited to Black, Indigenous and other racialized people; 2SLGBTQIA+ folk; and people with disabilities.

To apply for a position on the committee, please submit a letter of interest outlining how you meet the qualifications above; what you see as a significant challenge with respect to diversity, equity and inclusion in the County of Dufferin; and what you hope the committee will be able to accomplish.

Letters of interest should be forwarded to info@dufferincounty.ca or put in the drop box at 30 Centre St, Orangeville by August 31, 2021.



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Toothbrushes & Others

I was reading an interesting post the other day someone had put on Facebook.

It was about a younger girl chiding an older woman for asking for a plastic bag for her groceries.

The girl explained that the woman should be more conscience of the environment and that plastic bags were bad.

The older woman then went on to explain a whole lot of environmental issues to the girl and pretty much shut down her argument - and a lot of arguments that many environmental activists use but don't consider or practice in daily life.

The post didn't say how old the woman was, but she had obviously lived through the 50s when things were done differently.

Plastic bags themselves are of a least concern to the environment if used properly. As one expert explained, you could take thousands and thousands of those bags, and they can be compressed into a small cube less than a square foot in size.

The problem with plastic bags is people don't dispose of them properly. When you see them blowing in the wind across fields or caught in a branch on the side of the road, it's because someone tossed them out of a car window or was too careless to properly use them.

Plastic bottles are a big issue. The big beverage companies used to have a system where pop was sold in glass bottles that could be returned for your deposit back and the bottle reused.

According to Greenpeace, the Coca-Cola company alone, produced 100 billion plastic bottles in 2016 - and they are just one company. Most of those are never recycled.

On top of that, drinking water from plastic bottles adds to the problem. Your tap water is just as safe as bottle water despite the clever marketing campaigns by water companies to convince you that their H2O is somehow better.

A news story from a couple of years ago revealed that a well-known water bottling company's "safer" drinking water, came from the public tap in Mississauga. They just put it in a bottle, gave it a fancy name and sold it to consumers who paid for the same water they got from the home faucet.

That's pretty clever marketing. I was at a baseball game the other day. The ground in a local park was littered with garbage and plastic water bottles left over from spectators.

I'll bet almost everyone who left a bottle behind claims to "protect the environ-

ment" by bringing their own bags to the grocery store.

How many "environmentalists" use disposal diapers for their babies?

Disposable diapers may be convenient, but they are not environmentally friendly - at all. If you could see a mountain of disposable diapers that are tossed away in a single year, you would be astonished.

I'll bet you didn't have a single environmental friend that used reusable cloth diapers.

I was in a home recently owned by a guy who is part of a local environmental group. He's a nice guy and well intentioned, however I did notice there were at least four television sets, and that was just on the first floor. I wasn't going to point out that modern TV sets only last a handful of years and probably will just end up in the landfill.

If someone really is that concerned about the environment, wouldn't a single television or maybe two be enough?

Here's one you may not have thought of - toothbrushes. This was actually pointed out to me the other day by a woman who makes and sells environmentally safe tooth brushes.

Pretty much everyone has at least one toothbrush. In North America alone, that's

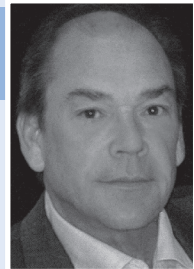
over 592 million tooth brushes perched in their little holder in the bathroom at one time - and most likely you buy several each year.

All those plastic handles have to go somewhere. According to my tooth brush friend who did her homework - thus the environmentally friendly model - there are millions of them floating in the world's oceans.

On the same note, consider disposable razors, of which again, there are millions and millions. Once that tiny little blade is finished, you toss the entire razor, including the plastic handle in the garbage, where it will remain for around 50,000 years.

I'm not claiming to be the most environmentally perfect guy - far from it. Just the other day I was at an outdoor event in the blazing sun and a vendor offered me a bottle of water from his cooler, which I accepted. I was really, really thirsty.

I'm just saying the older lady in the above-mentioned story did make a few good points.



BRIAN LOCKHART FROM THE SECOND ROW

The Language of the Scientists

There are 150 new coal-fired plants under construction or already approved and funded in the world, so you can't really say that we are taking global warming seriously yet. But at least the scientists who wrote the report on the state of play that the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) published on Friday are starting to use the right language.

One of the biggest obstacles to getting the public to take the warming seriously in the thirty years since this subject got on the international agenda has been the cautious language the scientists always used.

They didn't want to be accused of exaggerating, so they always talked about the likeliest case rather than the worst case. Clever people can be quite dense.

If you assumed the likeliest case, you would never buy fire insurance for your house. It's really quite unlikely to burn down, after all, so why not save your money? Except, of course, that you will be instantly homeless if the worst case actually happens, and you may never be able to buy another one.

"Under uncertainty, you always want to focus on the worst-case scenario," said Luke Kemp, an Australian research associate at the Centre for the Study of Existential Risk at

Cambridge University. "We haven't done this thus far. I would say we're not even focused on the most likely scenario. We're actually erring on the side of 'least drama.'

"Due to the consensus decision-making procedures of the IPCC, and due to the pressure put on climate scientists by the merchants of doubt, we actually always gravitate to the lower end of the spectrum and avoid extreme climate change. So, I and some colleagues basically mined IPCC reports looking at the references to different temperature scenarios.

"When you look at a middle-of-the-road scenario for the end of the century, there's a 75% probability of 700 parts per million of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, so warming above three degrees Celsius. Yet less than 10% of the temperatures mentioned in IPCC reports are three degrees and above. Almost all of our focus is on 1.5°C and 2°C, which is looking incredibly unlikely.

"So in essence, we actually know the least about the scenarios that matter most."

The "Working Group One" report of the IPCC, dealing with the physical scientific realities of climate change and published in preparation for the big November climate summit in Glasgow (COP-26), is definitely

an improvement on its predecessors: franker language, and fewer weasel words.

The biggest single improvement has been the use of what they call "calibrated language." Each statement is given a level of confidence expressed by five "qualifiers" - very low, low, medium, high and very high - and each prediction has a specific statistical meaning.

So, "virtually certain" means 99-100% probability, whereas "very likely" means 90-100% probable.

More likely than not means between 50% and 100% likely to happen, and extremely unlikely is between 0-5% probable. This system forces the report's writers to deal with the fact that almost nothing about climate science is hard and fast - and how could it be otherwise?

All climate scientists are climbing a very steep learning curve, because thirty years ago the discipline scarcely existed. We know of no system more complex than the "Earth system", and almost every week brings new discoveries and fresh insights. But there is a sense in this last report that they are really getting on top of the subject at last.

That doesn't mean that COP-26 will finally put us on a course that leads to a safe future.

A truly safe future is no longer even a possibility, and it is hard to believe that the governments that the scientists report to in Glasgow are ready even now to enact emergency measures. Luke Kemp doesn't think so either.

"There's different theories of change. One of them is talking directly to politicians and policy makers, and I tried that quite a lot. My PhD dissertation was called 'US-Proofing the Paris Climate Agreement', and I spent a lot of time trying to get policy-makers to take this issue seriously. As you probably expect, very few people listened.

"The reason we're not acting is not because of technology or a lack of public will; it's because of the political economy. It's because of the fossil fuel lobby. It's because of politicians being under the control of industry. So (we need to) catalyse a public reaction that will see large-scale shifts not just in policy, but also in society more generally.

"We need to have civil disobedience, protest and dissent. That's how the best changes of the world have happened previously."

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BY ROSE DOTTEN
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Way wows Shelburne crowd with “Rhinestone Cowgirl” tribute to Dolly Parton

Written By Peter Richardson

If you are either a country music fan or simply like Dolly Parton, you should have been in Shelburne’s famed Fiddle Park on the afternoon of Sunday, August 8, where Orangeville’s Leisa Way brought her Rhinestone Cowgirl Tribute concert to town.

Way has been performing as various music stars for some years now, and Dolly is her latest tribute. With the Wayward Wind Band, a collection of seasoned musicians, all of whom are local to the area, a stellar performance was presented for all. Two of her guitar players double as the voices of Porter Waggoner and Kenny Rogers, with whom Dolly has done award winning duets.

From her bedazzled outfits to her voice, Way put on a show that could almost make you believe she is the real thing.

The show was well-attended with many of the attendees vacating their cars to sit in lawn chairs in front of them instead. What little rain fell had virtually no affect and certainly dampened no one’s spirits.

Rhinestone Cowgirl, organized by the Shelburne Rotary Club, was a chance for people in the community to get out and listen to live music once again. Way commented that this was one of her first chances to perform since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the concert, a 50/50 draw was held, with more than \$800 awarded to the local winner.

The Shelburne Rotary Club said they were pleased with the total, as well as the money raised, which will go towards the local food bank, Christmas Hampers, and the Feed It Forward for Everyone school breakfast programme in Shelburne.

The Wayward Wind Band and Way have several concert bookings this fall that they hope will come to pass despite fears of a fourth wave of COVID-19.

All in all, the Rhinestone Cowgirl showcased an amazing international yet local talent, and exhibited the wealth of great talent Dufferin County has available in its arts community.



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The Rhinestone Cowgirl show, a tribute to music icon Dolly Parton by Leisa Way (above), raised \$3,100 for the Rotary Club of Shelburne (below).



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- 68. Duration
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- 70. Rush
- 71. Scowl
- 73. Salt Lake ____
- 74. Arms storehouse
- 78. Close by
- 80. Sly gaze

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- 2. Hawaiian keepsake
- 3. Celestial body
- 4. Holdup
- 5. Person opposed
- 6. Gnome
- 7. Bogey beater
- 8. Inkling
- 9. Concrete ingredient
- 10. Italian rice dish
- 11. Pupil surrounder

- 12. Game on horseback
- 13. Organic compound
- 15. Hebrew prophet
- 16. Not trademarked
- 22. Avoidance
- 24. Farm machine
- 25. Worry
- 26. Volcanic overflow
- 27. Highest point
- 29. Smell strongly
- 30. Mountain pool
- 35. Bit
- 36. Former French coin
- 37. It comes after pi
- 39. Zilch
- 40. “____ upon a Time in America”
- 44. Tummy
- 45. Get together
- 48. Decree
- 50. Miss
- 51. Residue
- 52. Affectedly shy
- 53. Nightmare street of film
- 55. Vittles
- 56. Valley
- 57. Previously
- 59. Sites
- 60. Assignment
- 61. Neuter
- 63. Acquire by will
- 67. Raise
- 72. Enlarge
- 73. Whooping bird
- 74. Gifts to charity
- 75. Legitimate
- 76. Lily variety
- 77. Cleanse
- 79. Tucked in
- 82. Cage
- 83. Bad temper
- 85. Hines/Davis film
- 86. Id’s cousin
- 87. Steep hemp

SHELBURNE SPORTS



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

The Mansfield Junior Cubs take on the Georgina Bulldogs on the diamond in Mansfield on Thursday, August 5. The Cubs took a 6-2 loss for the night. They will play their final regular season game in Mansfield on Thursday, August 12.

Junior Cubs move to final regular season game

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Mansfield Junior Cubs will have to put out a good effort over their last couple games of the season if they want

to secure a berth in the NDBL Junior playoffs.

Only the top four teams in the division will move to the playoffs.

The Cubs took a 6-2 loss to the Geor-

gina Bulldogs on Thursday, August 5, to move their season record to 3-4.

Thursday's game saw the Bulldogs take an early lead when they loaded the bases in the first inning then brought in two runs on a hit to deep left field.

The Cubs were on the scoreboard in the second inning when Ty Doney lead off with a single. That was followed by a hit to right field from Scott Pendleton that brought in a run.

The Cubs flied out on two hits in the third and couldn't get a man on base.

Georgian scored in the fourth inning to make it a 3-1 game.

The fourth inning had the Cubs on base but a tag-out at second base ended the inning.

The Bulldogs were up by three in the sixth inning when a ball hit to centre field bounced over the fence for a double, followed by a blistering hit down the third base line that brought in a run.

That was followed up with a hit to left field that brought in two runs to give Georgina a 6-1 lead.

The Cubs got two men on base in the sixth on a single from Jake Armstrong and a base hit by Ty Doney but they couldn't finish and score.

Cubs third baseman Connor Wiley snagged a wild line drive in the seventh inning for an out.

Mansfield managed to bring in a seventh inning run when they load the bases and brought in a run on a walk to end the game.

The final was 6 - 2.

Starting pitcher Matthew Haire spent five and a-half innings on the mound for the Cubs.

The Cubs' final game of the regular season is scheduled for tonight, August 12, on the diamond in Mansfield.

The first pitch is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

Series tied after opening games in Shelburne Cricket tournament

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The series is tied after the opening games of the Shelburne Cricket Club's Best of 7 Series 2021.

This is the first season the Club has started playing games in Shelburne.

The Club hosted an exhibition game last year to introduce the sport to the area.

After garnering interest from local players, they formed two teams this year - the Gladiators and the Knights - and put a scheduled together to play a best-of-seven tournament at KTH Park.

The Club is hoping to attract more player so we can have more players and have a bigger league.

"The interest is very high, and were getting more interest from people on

our Facebook page asking how they can register," said organizer Ahsen Siddiqui. "This is a best-of-seven series."

The League is using a playing format that will allow them to finish matches with a certain time frame on the field.

Things kicked off on July 25, with game one of the series.

The Gladiators won the opener taking the game by 18 runs with a final score of 129 - 111.

Following up with game two on August 1, the series was tied when the Knights took the lead and left the field up nine runs.

The final was 47-38.

The best-of-seven tournament will continue with Sunday games to decide the 2021 champion.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

The Mansfield Cubs Peeewe team took on the Tottenham Titans in Tottenham on Wednesday, August 4. The Cubs are in second place in the South Division with three games left to play on the regular season schedule.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters OF DUFFERIN AND DISTRICT

Annual golf tournament set for early September

Written By **Paula Brown**
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin & District will be teeing up on the golf course this September 2 for their annual fundraising golf tournament.

Hosted by the local Big Brothers Big Sisters for almost 30 years, the golf tournament helps the organization raise funds for their programming. In recent years the golf tournament has become the organization's largest fundraiser.

"We rely a lot on fundraising and donations from the community to keep our agency going," explains Nancy Stallmach, Executive Director for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin & District. "The money that we raise will be used to match more children, who are facing

adversity, with a caring mentor."

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin & District has been serving in the community for almost 50 years and provides their program to between 200 and 300 children in the area, including Orangeville, Shelburne, Grand Valley, Erin and Dundalk. The local organization's core program is a mentorship, which matches adult mentors with children mentees.

"We see the potential of youth who are facing adversity, and we want to be able to give those young people the greatest possibilities in life," said Stallmach. "Children who have a mentor are more likely to graduate from high school, go on to post-secondary education, they're more likely to be employed and to have better mental health throughout their lives."

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin

and District raised about \$10,000 through their 2020 golf tournament and Stallmach says they are hoping to raise between \$10,000 and \$12,000 for 2021.

While COVID-19 restrictions have eased since last year's golf tournament, Stallmach said they will be continuing with safety variations including having a boxed lunch instead of an inside dinner.

As part of the 2021 Big Brothers Big Sisters Golf Tournament, the local organization is raffling off West Jet tickets with the destination chosen by the winner, a big screen TV, and a gift certificate for Tim Horton's. Tickets can be purchased through their website.

"The chances are good to win because we're selling a limited number of tickets," said Stallmach.

At press time, the local organization is still looking for golfers. Those interested in participating in the golf fundraising tournament can sign up on the Big Brothers Big Sisters of Dufferin & District website.

The Big Brothers Big Sisters Golf Tournament will be held on September 2 at the Shelburne Golf and Country Club.

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DUFFERIN OPP TAKE ANOTHER IMPAIRED DRIVER OFF THE ROAD

On Wednesday, August 4, the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) charged a driver with impaired operation following a proactive traffic stop.

"The officer was conducting enforcement on Highway 89 in the Town of Shelburne due to several speeding complaints by concerned citizens," say Police. "The officer conducted a traffic stop which led to an impaired operation investigation."

As a result of the investigation, Jennifer Cochrane, 35, from Woodbridge has been charged with:

- Operation while Impaired - alcohol and drugs
- Operation while Impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Operation While Prohibited under the Criminal Code

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville in October 2021, to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

The vehicle was impounded for a period of 45 days.

If you suspect an impaired driver, call 9-1-1.

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ERRATIC DRIVING

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"At approximately, 12:10 a.m., the officer was conducting patrols along Riddell Road in the Town of Orangeville, when the officer observed a motorist driving erratically towards him," say Police. "The officer conducted a traffic stop, which led to an impaired operation investigation."

As a result of the investigation, Sumeet Bhachu, of Collingwood, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)
- Drive vehicle with cannabis readily available

The accused is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on

October 19, 2021 to answer to the charges.

The charges have not been proven.

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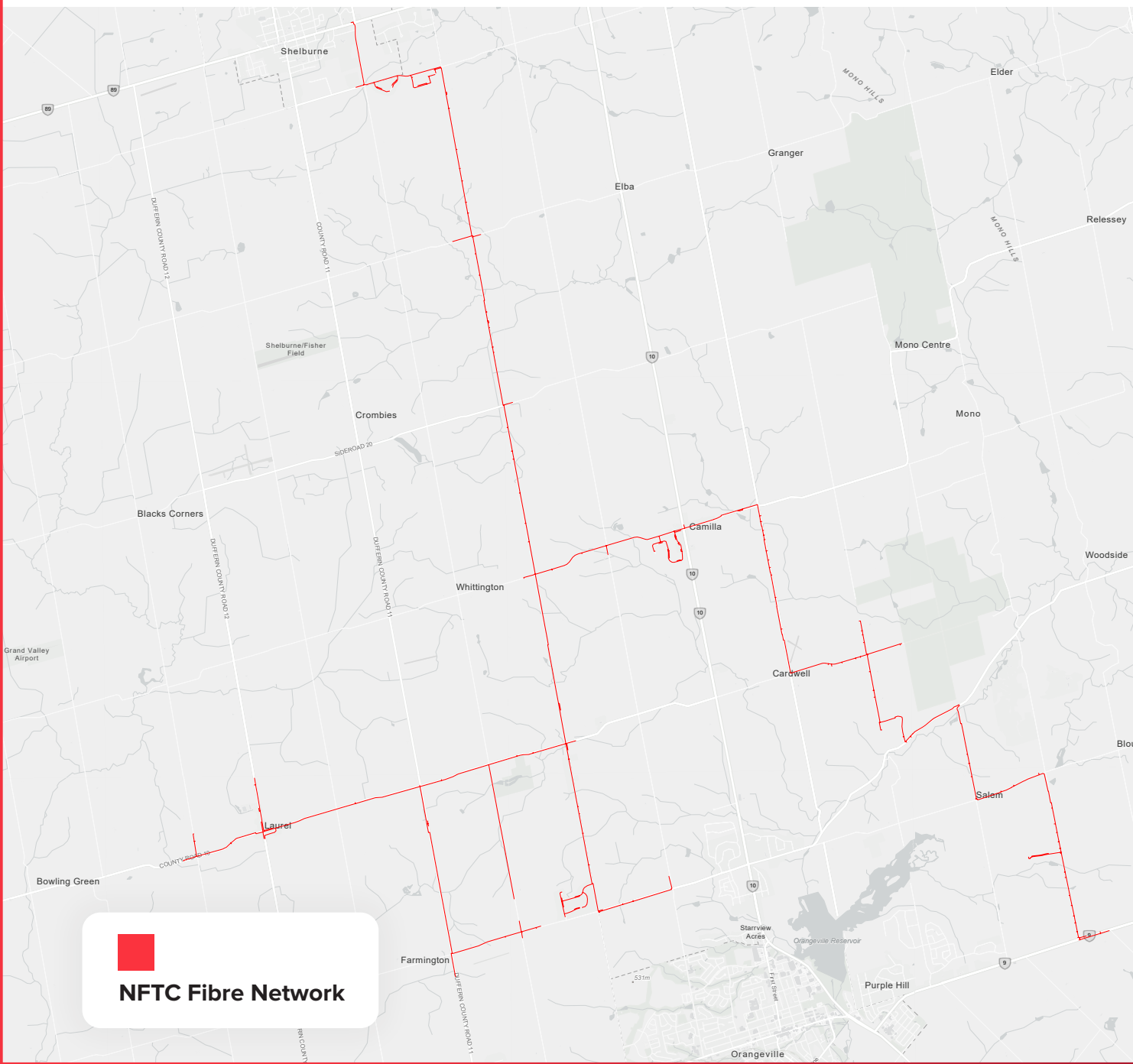
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