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PRIDE FLAG RAISING: Shelburne Mayor Wade Mills along with members of the Dufferin OPP kicked off the celebration of Pride Month (June) in the Town with a flag raising at Jack Downing Park on June 1.

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Three Sisters Garden planted over the weekend

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

A plot of space in the Shelburne Community Garden is honouring the town's Indigenous roots with the planting of the Three Sisters Garden.

The Dufferin County Cultural Resource Circle (DCCRC) and the Shelburne Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee gathered at the Shelburne Community Garden, located in Fiddle Park, on May 28 to mark the inaugural garden planting.

"It means a lot for us to share our teachings and methods," said DCCRC Community Elder, Karen Vandenberg, member of the Otter Clan from Christian Island Beausoleil. "It's going to bring awareness to how we can share our culture with Shelburne or anybody who comes to the garden."

"We're providing an amazing opportunity to learn something special about a traditional planting process that the First Nations people used to use in their gardens and still do," said Debbie Egerton, chair of the DCCRC.

The Three Sisters Garden consists of three plants that are intertwined together – corn, beans, and squash. For many Indig-



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

PLANTING GARDEN: Dufferin County Cultural Resource Circle partnered with the Shelburne DEI Committee to plant squash, beans and corn in the new Three Sisters Garden, located in the Shelburne Community Garden at Fiddle Park. The planting took place last Saturday (May 28), during the planting moon cycle. The vegetables will be harvested in the Fall and will be used to cook a Three Sisters Soup.

enous communities, the three sisters represent the most important crops, both complementing each other in the garden as well as nutritionally.

The tradition of calling these crops the "three Sisters" originated with the Haude-

nosaunee (People of the Long House), also known as the Iroquois, where the three seeds were planted in the same mound.

"Corn is planted in the center and it grows tall, the beans then grow around and you train them to circle the corn. It helps the beans to grow stronger, but the beans also then hold the corn steady so it doesn't waver in the wind. The nitrogen from them also helps to fertilize the soil," explained DCCRC Knowledge Keeper Kristi Bhogal of the Seneca Snipe Clan. "Then you plant squash on the side at the bottom of the mounds and train them to go the Haudenosaunee way, meaning counter-clockwise. The squash helps shade the mound, which protects the bean seedlings as they grow, naturally keeps weeds and bugs away, and this keeps the mound steady, which helps support the beans and the corn as well."

The Three Sisters Garden was planted during a specific moon cycle called the planting moon. All the plants from the garden were donated from the Alton Greenhouse and Garden Centre.

The DCCRC will harvest the vegetables from the garden in the fall, at which time a Three Sisters Soup will be cooked.

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Third Annual Walk to End ALS honours late Cathi Snider

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

Family members of Cathi Snider, a local woman who passed away two years ago, will be honouring her memory as they take part in 3rd annual Walk To End ALS this weekend.

"I want to remember my sister and I want to remember her by recognizing what she had to go through," said Debra Bettio. "We know how much the ALS Society supported us, and we want to make sure that other families know that there is support and that there continues to be support."

Cathi Snider was diagnosed with ALS in August of 2019 after experiencing a fall, undergoing physiotherapy, and several tests in hospital. Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a terminal progressive nervous system dis-



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

2021 WALK: The 2nd Annual Walk to End ALS was held in Shelburne in 2021 and will return to town on June 5.

ease that affect the nerves in the brain and spinal cord causing loss of muscle control.

After battling the disease for six months, Cathi passed away in February of 2020.

For the past two years, the walk in memory of Cathi has mainly included family

members and has taken place in various cities. The 2022 Walk to End ALS will mark the first walk the family is able to come together in one area, and they're now inviting the community to participate.

"If any of her friends or members of the community want to participate in this, we're happy for them to join," said Bettio.

The Town of Shelburne proclaimed June, ALS Awareness Month in the community during their meeting on May (30).

As part of the Walk to End ALS, funds are being raised to go towards research of ALS and community-based support. Team Cathi has a fundraising goal of \$3,000 and at the time of print has raised \$2,160.

Family members of Cathi reached out to a number of local businesses whom she was a frequent customer of. One of those businesses included Shelburne Auto and Cycle, who donated \$500 to the cause.

"Cathi was a customer of mine for my entire career, she would bring her car wherever I was working, everyone always looked forward to the Christmas treats she brought in. She was proud of her kids and especially her grandchildren and was sure to show me pictures on her iPad she was carrying – she is missed for sure," wrote Chris Ferris.

Anyone interested in donating can do so by visiting the Walk to End ALS website and searching for Team Cathi. Family members will also be collecting donations on the day of the walk.

The 3rd Annual Walk to End ALS in memory of Cathi Snider will take place on June 5. The walk will consist of 5 kilometres with various points where participants can cut off to make the walk shorter. The walk will begin at the Agricultural Centre in Shelburne at 9:30 a.m.

Local high school hosts inaugural Black Brilliance Conference

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

High school students across the Upper Grand District School Board (UGDSB) descended on Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) on Tuesday as they took part in an inaugural conference.

Organized by the student group, Black Chapter, CDDHS hosted the first-ever Black Brilliance Conference, an event for African, Caribbean and all Black Identifying (ACBI) youth attending secondary schools in Dufferin County. The event has been years in the making.

"It's been a rocky road, very stressful from all standpoints, but also exciting for it to

happen," said Gabby Spencer, CDDHS Black Chapter student representative.

This year's theme for the conference was "Unapologetically Black".

"What I find sometimes, but I see it a lot less now, is people are ashamed of some aspects of being black. I know a lot of people who wouldn't walk around wearing an afro, who are ashamed to walk around speaking their native language, and not proud enough to say 'I'm African'," said Spencer. "When we say 'unapologetically black' we're trying to get people to be proud about their blackness."

The Black Brilliance Conference kicked off with keynote speaker, Michael Dunkley also known by the stage name ADM. Dunkley was a 2020 graduate at CDDHS and a former mem-

ber of the Black Chapter.

Speaking with the Free Press, Dunkley spoke about his gratitude for Black Chapter saying he likely wouldn't be an artist without it.

"It was the place that gave me the chance to try something new and exercise my creativity," explained Dunkley.

The inspiration given to Dunkley through Black Chapter, was one he wanted to reflect to students.

"I want them to have the courage to learn, to chase their dreams, and find a passion because I feel like one thing school doesn't really teach you is focusing to help students find their passion," said Dunkley.

The Black Brilliance Conference also features four student led workshops; Hair Love; Police Brutality, Fu Fu Meets Jerk Chicken, Our Histories and Connections; and Black Face: History, Canada, and Digital Implications.

"I hope they leave here knowing something they didn't know before and with a positive

perspective of Black Chapter and the Black Brilliance Conference," said Spencer.

CDDHS has the largest black student union in the Upper Grand School Board with 72 members. Developed five years ago at Centre Dufferin, Black Chapter began with original members.

"I am so unbelievably proud of the folks who put the workshops together, they worked so hard. They did the research on top of all of their regular school work, worked through the pandemic and school closure and came back still with a ton of energy," said Trina Thompson, CDDHS staff representative for Black Chapter. "This work wouldn't have happened without our original Black Chapter members, who without we won't be here today."

Schools in attendance at the inaugural Black Brilliance Conference included Centre Dufferin, Orangeville District Secondary School, Westside Secondary School, Erin District High School, Norwell District Secondary School, Wellington Heights Secondary School, and Grey Highlands Secondary School.



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Healthy Cravings Burger Bus celebrates grand opening

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

When Brenda Gray made the decision to permanently close her café in Shelburne, Healthy Cravings Holistic Kitchen, more than a year ago she set out to revamp her business, this time from four walls to four-wheels.

Earlier this month Gray celebrated the official opening of her new food truck – Healthy Cravings Burger Bus.

“I love it, I love being in the food industry – it’s my passion. To feed people food is so nice, and to see people can appreciate the freshness of the food,” Gray tells the Free Press. “The challenge is there every day to try to feed people the best food I can find.”

Gray officially closed her café, Healthy Cravings Holistic Kitchen, which was located in Shelburne’s downtown core, in January of 2021 following a number of shut-downs as a result to the pandemic.

“I had to close because there wasn’t a lot of people coming out and 80 per cent of my business was Toronto people,” explained Gray.

While working various jobs in restaurants in the Creemore and Orangeville area, Gray began to research food trucks and eventu-



PAULA BROWN

ORDER UP! Owner of Healthy Cravings Burger Bus, Brenda Gray prepares an order on May 20 during the grand opening of her new food truck.

ally came across a bus for sale. Buying the bus as an empty shell, she sent it up to Napanee, where it was retrofitted to operate as a food truck.

The Healthy Cravings Burger Bus, located

at the corner of Airport Road and County Rd. 21, officially opened on May 6 and celebrated it’s grand opening on May 20.

“I love working for myself, being able to source the food, and knowing what every-

thing is about. One of the biggest things that I’m able to do here is give people the freshest local food that they can find,” said Gray. “Food trucks have come a long way, they’re not just burger and fries, my fellow workers are doing some amazing things on food truck right now.”

From hamburgers, pulled pork and poutines to vegetarian options such as falafel and her beloved Buddha bowl, Gray has focused on building Healthy Cravings Burger Bus to be farm-to-table.

“It’s all about feeding you body healthy, nutritious, homemade food that our parents and grandparents used to eat, none of this filler,” said Gray. “I think health comes from eating local, and knowing where your food comes from is the best part of keeping yourself healthy.”

While she does admit that having a food truck with deep fryers comes with the pre-conception of being “unhealthy”, Gray notes the importance of balance.

“Yes, fried food is not health but you’re not going to eat fried food every day. Holistic is involving every aspect of food, even the most unhealthy in most people’s eyes,” said Gray.

Healthy Cravings Burger Bus is open Friday to Sunday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Fiddle50 ultra endurance race to taking place this weekend

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

Long-distance runners will be tying up the laces on their running shoes this coming weekend as they gear up to take part in an ultra endurance race in Shelburne.

“We wanted to bring this to the community because Shelburne doesn’t have a running event and as part of Dufferin County, which is very active, there’s a lot of runners here,” said Jodi McNeill, co-founder and race director of Gotta Run Racing. “We thought it was time to bring an event to Shelburne and when we measured out the loop at Fiddle Park and found it was exactly one kilometre it was a dream come true.”

The inaugural ultra endurance run, known as Fiddle50, is scheduled to take place on Saturday (June 4) and will last between 10 to 12 hours.

An ultra endurance run is any distance over a marathon, which is 42.2 kilometres. Fiddle50 will feature multiple distance races including at 25 km, 50 km, 80 km, and 100 km with both single and relay teams racing. McNeill said they hope to include a 160 km race in future Fiddle50 events.

“We want the community to know that we’re there for the long haul and that we really want to build this into an event that comes back year after year.”

—Jodi McNeill
Gotta Run Racing co-founder

“It’s a challenge for sure and it’s not just physical, especially when you’re going to run in a one-kilometre loop, that becomes mental,” said McNeill.

The inaugural Fiddle50 will see around 30 runners participating in the ultra endurance race. The event has a number of activities planned during the race to entertain the runners as they make their way around the one-kilometre loop for up to 12 hours. Community members are encouraged to come out and cheer on the runners.

“We invite people to come and see and cheer. Runners love to have their names

called out, they love to be cheered on as they’re running; having people there to cheer on runners is a big element,” said McNeill.

While only in it’s first year of being held, McNeill said they are already discussing ways in which they can expand the event in the future such as having a walking option

and creating the event into a festival weekend with musical acts featured.

“We want the community to know that we’re there for the long haul and that we really want to build this into an event that comes back year after year,” said McNeill.

Fiddle50 will take off on Saturday (June 4) at 7 a.m.

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Then came the pandemic. On Saturday June 25th, the gathering will take place again at the Park and celebrate the local community. The day starts at the Horning’s Mills Community Hall (Main St. and River Rd.) with a vendors’ market that will run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Activities will then shift to the Horning’s Mills Park (15 Sideroad & Main St), starting at 3:00 p.m. These activities will include a First Responder Challenge that

will see firefighters, paramedics and others compete against each other in a tug-of-war and obstacle course.

A Bouncy Castle will entertain young attendees, as well as an activity area, games, and the Park playground.

Then Melancthon’s firefighters will host a BBQ of yummy fare which includes hamburgers (meat and vegan), hotdogs, sausages and ice cream. All proceeds go to the fire halls.

Musical performance of the evening will feature community favourite, Gary Heaslip and band.

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Loose lips, sink ships

There was a saying during the Second World War that went – 'loose lips, sink ships.'

The idea behind the saying was that if you had information pertaining to the war effort, you should keep it to yourself.

That friendly guy at the bakery down the street could very well be a Nazi spy, and by casually mentioning a ship would be leaving port at a certain time, you could very well doom that ship when the spy passes on that information to his keepers, who then pass it on to a patrolling submarine.

Secrecy during wartime is vital to the effort. You don't send notice to your enemy that you just built an ammunition depot at these coordinates with a big red arrow pointing to it on a map.

As the war in Ukraine rages on, it is no secret that the Ukraine defence forces are being armed and supplied by western countries. If it were not for western involvement, they would have already run out of ammunition and equipment.

Supplying them is one thing, making a media event out of it every time you do it is careless and dangerous.

The Canadian government has already

made several announcements regarding shipments of supplies to Ukraine. Several other governments have also announced how they are supplying Ukraine forces.

A few days ago, the government announced it had secured more than 20,000 155-millimetre artillery rounds that will be sent to the Ukraine.

I'm pretty sure high-level officials in Russia have made note of this announcement and are actively trying to find out how those 20,000 rounds will be arriving in Europe.

Any military person knows that part of the plan to defeat your enemy is to cut off supply lines, and that includes sinking ships, attacking supply convoys, and shooting down aircraft.

The Russians don't want 20,000 artillery rounds arriving in Ukraine that will be used against their troops.

There's no doubt. Russian intelligence will be working hard to find out how, when, and where, those rounds will be leaving, and where they will be landing in Europe.

Top military leaders will be working with intelligence agencies to find out whatever

they can about arms being transported to be used against their troops.

Most likely that amount of heavy material will be arriving by ship. Even if escorted by surface warships, there is little that can be done to stop a torpedo launched from miles away by a submarine that simply disappears into deep water.

Now the U.S. has announced it is considering sending long-range missiles to Ukraine.

Terrific, another government supplying information to the enemy.

This war is already dangerous enough, and not only for the people in Ukraine. It is a threat to the entire western world due to the possibility of things escalating – especially since Russian officials have already warned that they will consider using nuclear bombs if things don't go their way or if any western government becomes directly involved in the fighting.

If western governments are going to send military supplies and arms to Europe, they have to start making certain restrictions on the details.

Yes, we have the right to know if our tax dollars are paying for arms for another

country, but we don't need to know specific details like numbers and type of munition – at least not right now – and not in a public forum which pretty much gives the enemy more information than they need to know.

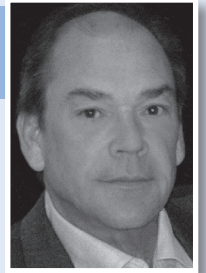
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So far Russia has pretty much failed in their effort to invade Ukraine. They have met a lot more resistance than they thought they would receive and have not had the success the military leaders predicted.

As Russian losses continue to mount, they are more likely to try to stop supplies coming into the country.

If the west wants to continue the effort of supplying arms and medical equipment, it's time to remember the WWII approach and keep your mouth shut rather than announce every time military supplies are procured and being sent to a theatre of war.

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How to Stop Sea Level Rise

"Ninety percent of ice flowing to the sea from the Antarctic ice sheet, and about half of that lost from Greenland, travels in narrow, fast ice streams measuring tens of kilometres or less across. Stemming the largest flows would allow the ice sheets to thicken, slowing or even reversing their contribution to sea-level rise."

John Moore, a British glaciologist holding dual appointments at Lapland and Beijing Normal universities, had a big idea a few years ago. The big ice-streams are moving faster and faster because the oceans are warming, and warm currents are eating away at the underside of those glaciers where they meet the ocean. So stop them.

The warm currents are deep, because salty seawater is denser than the fresh water coming off the glaciers. When they melt the lowest part of the ice-stream where it meets the ocean the glaciers loses contact with the underlying rock, and the friction with the rock was what slows them down. They can speed up three, five even ten times faster.

However, the problem is smaller than it seems. Greenland and Antarctica, where the ice is up to two kilometres deep, have

about 70,000 kilometres of coastline, but the total length where the ice-streams reach the sea is only 200 km, or less.

Stop the accelerated melt there, and the human race might win an extra century or two to cope with all the other challenges posed by global warming without having to wage a continuous struggle to protect itself from rapidly rising sea levels at the same time.

So Moore and a handful of colleagues set out to see how we might divert those warm currents. "The warm currents run along the bottom of the sea floor, so if you (created an obstacle high enough that) the warm water couldn't flow over it, it would slow that ice shelf melting and the ice shelf would immediately thicken," he recalled.

They chose the Thwaites glacier, the so-called 'Doomsday glacier' in Western Antarctica, for their thought experiment.

"At Thwaites, the most vulnerable ice shelf on the planet, the major inflow of warm water is through a channel four kilometres across. And we initially thought, as stupid scientists, that we would just block that (four-kilometre channel) with rubble or dirt, you know, make

a dam," Moore recalled.

But he and a handful of colleagues had the wit to put out an all-call for better ideas in a leading scientific journal. "The engineers laughed at us, slapped us around the face, and said 'Don't be so stupid. You don't want to have bulldozers or something on the sea floor.'"

"You want to go in with a design that can be removed in case of unexpected consequences or to do maintenance. So the idea is to have a concrete base as an anchor, and then a buoyant curtain attached to it." The buoyancy wants to keep the curtain vertical, the currents want to push it over, and there will be an equilibrium where it resists that flow."

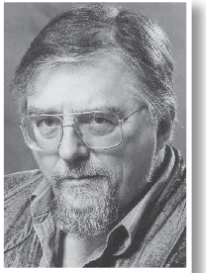
The engineer in question (who didn't actually slap Moore around the face) was Bowie Keefer, a Canadian engineer living on Galiano Island in British Columbia's Gulf Islands. "I was inspired by the kelp bed that we have off a beach here on Galiano. A kelp bed consists of streamers of vegetation attached to the seabed and stretched upward by a buoyant bulb at the top."

"Paddling a kayak through the kelp bed, it occurred to me that if you attached those streamers together, you would then have a curtain. And if we built a buoyant, flexible artificial curtain up to 300 metres high, attached to the seabed, fish and whales, and even icebergs, could go over the top (in the cold, fresh water), but block the warm water from coming in and protect the ice sheet."

That's the plan, and Moore's team has a tentative budget. "It would cost about \$5 billion a year over ten years to install the curtain, and ongoing maintenance would cost one or two billion a year thereafter. That includes a fleet of five icebreakers, ten ice-reinforced ships, fabrication of the curtain in southern Chile, the lot.

And then there's the several dozen other, smaller glaciers that would also need to be blocked. But it would still ten or twenty times cheaper than building dykes and barriers to protect the world's coastlines from sea level rise. Better to attack the problem at its source.

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Dufferin OPP seize drugs, \$40,000 cash, gun ammunition

Drugs, firearm ammunition, and \$40,000 cash was recently seized by Dufferin OPP, following the arrest of a 24-year-old from Orangeville.

The arrest and seizure took place during the execution of a search warrant by Dufferin OPP in the Town of Orangeville on May 26.

As a result of an ongoing drug trafficking investigation, Dufferin OPP's Community Street Crime Unit (CSCU), with the assistance of the Central Region Emergency Response Team (ERT), located and seized the following items:

- A quantity of Cocaine
- Approximately \$ 40 000 cash

- 12 rounds of 45 caliber ammunition
- 3 rounds of 22 caliber ammo
- 3 shotgun shells
- 3 digital scales
- 2 cell phones

A 24-year-old person from Orangeville was charged with following offences:

- Possession for the purpose of trafficking -

Cocaine

- Trafficking Cocaine
- Possession of property obtained by crime
- Possession of ammunition contrary to prohibition order

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville, in July of 2022, to answer to the charge.

Man arrested last week for impaired driving by Dufferin OPP

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) charged a person with impaired operation after a traffic complaint.

On May 25, 2022, at approximately 7:00 p.m., Dufferin OPP received a traffic complaint of a possible impaired driver. A Dufferin OPP officer was able to intercept the vehicle in the area of King Street and Crozier Street in the Town of Grand Valley. The officer commenced an inves-

tigation into the traffic complaint, which led into an impaired operation investigation.

As a result of the investigation, Chad OLIVER, 36-year-old, from Grand Valley has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 plus

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville, in August of 2022, to answer to the charge. The

accused's driver's licence was suspended for 90 days and their vehicle impounded for seven days.

The Dufferin OPP would like to thank members of the public for communicating traffic complaints such as this.

"Your assistance is greatly appreciated and you contribute to saving lives by removing impaired drivers from our roads," said the Dufferin OPP in a press release.

The Dufferin OPP reminds motorists to plan ahead when consuming alcohol or drugs. Use a designated driver, cab, ride-share, public transit or stay overnight. Any amount of alcohol or drugs can impair your ability to make sound judgements.

"One bad decision could destroy or end your life, destroy or end the life of another person and leave countless people heartbroken," said the Dufferin OPP in a press release.

Hospice Dufferin holding butterfly release during hike fundraiser

Hospice Dufferin will be hosting a butterfly release in conjunction with Hike for Hospice Dufferin to help raise money for programs while providing those that grieve with an opportunity to remember a loved one.

Butterfly Release for Hospice Dufferin will be held Sunday June 12, as participants release their butterflies to celebrate the life of a loved one, at Monora Park at 1:30 p.m.

Participants will purchase their butterflies online and can pick them up at the park. All efforts will be made to ensure the butterflies are kept in a cool dry place until they are picked up and released.

Hospice Dufferin choose this fundraiser last year because butterflies are nature's way of reminding us that there is always hope. When the caterpillar is no more, the butterfly is born in ultimate freedom and beauty.

"The last couple of years have been difficult on families to properly grieve the loss of a loved one." RaDeana Montgomery Resource Development Communication Coordinator said. "With restrictions on funeral and celebration of life ceremonies, more families are struggling with grief than ever before. This event was designed to provide some comfort and to honour those we love."

Hospice Dufferin is responsible to raise 40% of their operating budget through fundraisers such as The Butterfly Release. Funds raised go directly back to creating programs and services to help empower people living with life-limiting illness, their caregivers and the bereaved to live fully in the face of challenges.

For more information please visit Hospice Dufferin's website: hospicedufferin.com for the link to Canada Helps or contact RaDeana Montgomery of Hospice Dufferin at montgomery@hospicedufferin.com



Off-leash dog park scheduled to open June 11

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

The long awaited off leash dog park in Shelburne is scheduled to open for use this month.

During their meeting on Monday (May 30), Shelburne CAO Denyse Morrissey provided a report with general updates on capital park projects

According to the report, the estimated opening date for the off-leash dog park, located at Fiddle Park, is June 11. A ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the opening of the dog park is also in the work for June 11 at 9 a.m.

The idea for an off-leash dog park was initially brought forward by council in 2020 and was included in that year's budget. The project was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic and was later re-introduced as a capital project in the 2022 budget.

Site preparation and clearing began at Fiddle Park in April and construction of the fencing was installed in May. Additional landscaping and seating were added in late May.

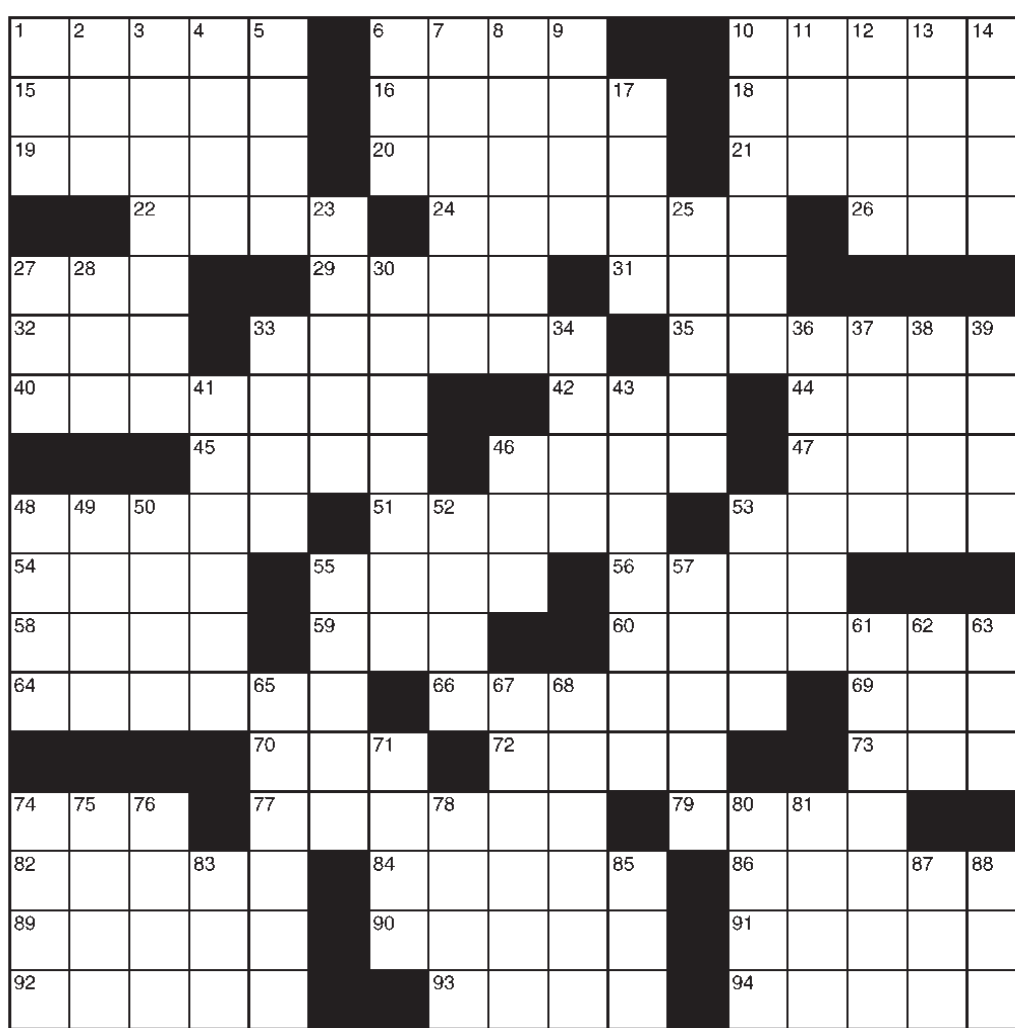
According to a report from September 2021, the estimated cost of the dog park was around \$92,000.

Amenities for the off-leash dog park includes a small dog section, a large dog section, picnic tables, garbage receptacles, dog waste stations, and 16 parking spaces.

Further information, including rules and regulations to access the off-leash dog park, can be found through the Town's Park Projects page.

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- 25. St. Petersburg penny
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- 34. Chinese money
- 36. Wayne/Day film
- 37. Swindle
- 38. Leer
- 39. Equivocator
- 41. Cook too much
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- 46. Send packing
- 48. Rajah's mate
- 49. "Iron Chef" prop
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- 74. Lounging slipper
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- 83. Private eye
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- 6. Ardent
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- 21. Tango or waltz
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- 42. Exploit
- 44. Hindu ascetic
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- 51. Horned mammal
- 53. Card game
- 54. Affirm confidently
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- 58. Robert Carradine role
- 59. Positive response
- 60. Taint
- 64. Farthest from the outside
- 66. Dislike intensely
- 69. Romanian coin
- 70. "Dusk ___ Dawn"
- 72. Mythology
- 73. Delay

- 74. Carol, to Marcia
- 77. Tot's garment
- 79. Marathon
- 82. Join forces
- 84. "Moby Dick," e.g.
- 86. Cartoon-character Hobbes, e.g.
- 89. French school
- 90. Puccini creation
- 91. Eared seal
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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Shelburne Cricket Club kicks off 2022 summer season

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Shelburne Cricket Club started the 2022 season with some fanfare at KTH Park in Shelburne on Saturday, May 28.

The local Club played a tournament style season with two teams last year, however, interest in the sport has allowed the club to expand to three teams. They will be bringing in other outside teams this year to make it a four-team season.

The Club held an opening ceremony at the park prior to the first game of the year.

Teams marched onto the pitch carrying the flags of nine nations. Players come from a diverse background and the flags of their home countries were on display to start the day.

Club treasurer, Maira Quraishi, welcomed visitors to opening day and provided some history about the organization before introducing guest speakers.

"This is official opening of our first house league," explained club president, Ahsen Siddiqui. "Last year we played a best-of-seven tournament. This year we have three teams because we are growing. Today we have the opening of the league which will run through to the first week of September. We'll be play-

ing every Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday." Ahsen said members of the club come from a variety of countries.

"Members have a background from ten different countries," Ahsen said. "What we did to show the diversity and multiculturalism, is we brought the home country flags. We have all those home country flags under the Canadian – just to support our slogan which is 'game is on', to promote that vibe."

The Club has put out a considerable effort to promote their sport in the region, as well as make it a viable enterprise.

They have some new umpires which they are paying, at Ahsen's insistence even though some umpires offered to volunteer their time.

"The Town has done a great job to give us the cricket pitch," Ahsen said. "It's not a proper cricket field but they gave us the 22 yards where we are playing."

The pitch is the area on the field where the bowler throws the ball and the batter hits.

The grass on the pitch was cut down right to the roots to make a suitable surface.

Teams were introduced to the crowd and filed onto the pitch carrying the flags to officially get the new season underway.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

SEASON OPENER: The Shelburne Cricket Club started its 2022 season at KTH Park in Shelburne on Saturday, May 28. Flags representing the home countries of several players were paraded onto the field during the season's opening ceremonies.

Big hitting in early innings cost Mansfield Senior Cubs their game

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Mansfield Senior Cubs came up against some big hitting in the early inning of their Sunday, May 29, game against the Clearview Orioles.

The Orioles had a huge first inning then Tristan Cabral hit a grand slam in the second that brought in four more runs.

Brad Pendleton started on the mound for the Cubs.

It was a fast-paced game from the second inning with not much action on the bases.

The third saw Jake Newton get on base with a single followed by another hit that put two men on base, but they couldn't finish.

Orioles' batter, Daniel Morningstar hit a two-run home run in the fourth that placed the Clearview team well into the lead.

The fifth inning saw Clearview get one

man on base, but that was it. The Cubs had no men on base for the inning.

The game ended in the sixth inning on the mercy rule when the Clearview team managed to bring the runs needed for the umpire to call the game.

The final was a 16-0 win for the Orioles.

The Cubs are still waiting to get their first win of the season. They have brought up some junior players to fill in the ranks this season for some games.

The New Lowell Knights are leading the League with a 5-1 record. They are followed by the Ivy Rangers, Lisle Astros, and Creemore Padres.

The Cubs will be on the road in Clarksburg on June 4.

They will return to their home diamond in Mansfield on Sunday, June 5, when they will host the Owen Sound Baysox.

Game time is 5:00 p.m.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

BIG SLIDE: Mansfield's Cody Bryan makes the catch at second base during the Mansfield Senior Cubs game against the Clearview Orioles on the diamond in Mansfield on Sunday, May 29.

Mansfield Junior Cubs now 2-2 following loss to Caledon Nationals

The Mansfield Junior Cubs hosted the Caledon Nationals on the diamond in Mansfield on Thursday, May 26, for their fourth game of the season.

Cody Bryan started on the mound for the Cubs in the evening game.

The Nationals got on the scoreboard early in the game with a single in the top of the fourth.

The inning ended with an impressive catch by shortstop Luke Dunmore, who tracked the ball into shallow left field.

Mansfield's Bryce Cameron got the first Cubs hit of the night with a single, then went to steal second base.

The Cubs scored on an errant throw to third base that allowed the runner to cross home plate.

Caledon capitalized in the third inning getting men on second and third base and bringing in two runs on deep hits.

The fourth inning got started with a single home run when Caledon's Cameron O'Neil

dropped the ball over the left field fence.

Mansfield came up short in the fourth with two players flying out and no men on base.

In the fifth, hurler Brett Legault took over on the mound for the Cubs.

The first out came with a hard throw to first baseman, Brodie Hunter.

Caledon scored two runs on a hit deep into right field to make it a 6-1 game.

The final three innings saw the Nationals getting the bats moving and getting men on base. At the end, the score was 14-1 for the Cale-

don team, handing the Cubs their second loss of the season.

They now have a 2-2 record for the year.

That leaves the Cubs right in the middle of the pack in the eight-team junior division of the NDBL.

Caledon is currently in first place going undefeated after three games.

The Cubs will be back on the diamond in Mansfield on Thursday, June 9, when they will host the Orillia Royals.

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

Dufferin Cricket Club starting first season June 11

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Dufferin Cricket Club will be starting their inaugural 2022 season with a special opening ceremony and game on Saturday, June 11.

The Shelburne based club already has many members and two teams ready to play.

"I want to go larger and encompass all of Dufferin," said club founder and president Anand Jagdeo.

"We already have 30 members and two teams. This week we are having two practice sessions – one on Friday (June 3) afternoon from 5 to 9 p.m., and one on

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Council meetings to remain virtual until at least October

Written By Paula Brown
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Shelburne Town Council will continue to hold their council and committee meetings electronically until the end of the current term.

During their meeting on Monday (May 30), Shelburne Town Council received a report from clerk Jennifer Willoughby regarding a return to in-person meetings following a requested update from Councillor Walter Benotto.

Shelburne Town Council has been holding electronic meetings since early April 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The main issue of returning to in-person

meetings in Shelburne is the space is required to comply with provincial requirements and the Town's voluntary decision to continue mask wearing as well as social distancing.

In the report to council, Willoughby noted three options researched by staff for council to return to in-person meetings.

The first option looked into was a return to the council chambers located in Town Hall, but due to its size it was deemed 'insufficient' requiring an alternate location. Staff also looked into re-locating the council chambers to the main floor of Town Hall, into the space previously used by the Shelburne Police Service (SPS).

"It is not a suitable location as an alternate

council chamber. It would require significant capital costs to expand the spaces. To create the space needed would likely require an addition on the ground floor into the parking lot," reads the report.

The final option presented to council was to utilize the Grace Tipling Hall, which was also viewed as not ideal.

"As we move forward with revitalization of the Grace Tipling Hall the expectation that rental, performances and other uses will increase so scheduling permanent in-person council meetings would likely interfere with future theatre uses," said Willoughby.

According to the report to council, attendance to meetings pre-pandemic was approx. four to 15 people while views noted through live streaming average around 119 views.

While the number of people watching council appears to have increased, Coun. Benotto raised concerns surrounding participation from the public with council.

"Every meeting I've come to the mayor says 'is there any questions from the public' and the answer is no. They may be watching us, but they are not participating with us," said Benotto. "It seems like we're not getting any real public participation in the sense of people asking and questioning us."

Mayor Wade Mills, while agreeing that council is not seeing as many direct questions during their meetings, noted the different ways the public is engaging with council matters.

"My thought is, at least from my experience,

is that I tend to be getting more questions on the street, in the grocery store, by email, and social media. One of the changes we made to our procedural bylaw this term was to allow for the council inquiry section at our meetings and for the newer members of council that wasn't something done in the past and for the most part it's been a productive addition," said Mills. "I don't disagree, we may not be getting as many direct questions, but I do think that people have found other ways to get the information and questions to us."

Coun. Shane Hall shared a similar sentiment.

"The fact is when we were in person and not live streaming the amount of people that were participating were extremely low, and since we have gone to this method, I think the engagement level with the community is up. Those questions they're coming with are much more informed or they're asking more questions than I'd seen in the early portion of the term."

A hybrid method, with both in-person and electronic attendance, has been considered for the next term of council.

During the 2022 budget process, \$8,500 was included for the provision of in-person meetings with a hybrid approach, but was removed "based on the understanding that meetings would continue to be held virtually for the remaining term of council".

It was recommended that the cost for in-person council meetings be included in the draft 2023 budget.

Public Health launches annual mosquito larvicide program

With warmer weather comes the return of mosquito season, and work has begun to reduce mosquito populations in the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph region.

Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (WDG) Public Health announced on May 19 the launch of their annual mosquito larvicide program, which aims to reduce mosquito populations known to carry West Nile virus. The program will run until early October.

"Mosquitos are more than just a spring and summer time annoyance," said Dr. Nicola Mercer, Medical Officer of Health and CEO of WDG Public Health. "Some species may carry the West Nile virus which, if transmitted to humans, may cause flu-like symptoms and in rare cases, inflammation of the brain or spinal column can occur which may result in permanent disability or death."

Through the program, trained technicians apply larvicide by hand in areas of standing water in and around communities in Wellington and Dufferin County helping to reduce or eliminate mosquito populations.

According to WDG Public Health, in 2021 there was one confirmed human case of the West Nile virus, and two cases in birds identified in the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph region.

"By proactively treating areas of standing water on municipal property, we're helping to prevent these areas from becoming sites for mosquitoes to breed," said Mercer.

Mosquitoes lay their eggs in standing water so eliminating the breeding areas is the first line of defense. Larvicide is used in potential larvae breeding sites where standing water cannot be eliminated or is more difficult to control.

These areas include roadside ditches, temporary pools, sewage lagoons, storm-water retention ponds, areas of standing water, and municipal catch basins.

Public Health is encouraging property owners to remove standing water anywhere it tends to collect including flower pots, bird baths, wheelbarrows, eaves troughs, rain barrel and tires.

Public Health said residents can reduce the risk of mosquito bites and potential exposure to West Nile virus by wearing light-coloured pants and long-sleeved shirts, avoiding being outside at dawn and dusk when mosquitoes tend to feed, and using mosquito repellent with DEET or Icaridin for adults and children over 6 months of age.

CDDHS Co-op Corner: Six Gables Farm

Written By Saige Morley

This week Saige Morley from Centre Dufferin District High School shares a little bit about her experience and how Six Gables Farm is contributing to our community's future.

The race horse stables of Six Gables Farm is managed by Susan Foreman. She has been breeding future racehorses of high quality for over 25 years, and has been working with horses and teaching lessons since she was very young. She has close to 40 mares that she either owns herself or co-owns with clients, and these mares are bred to top of the line stallions from all over. Susan raises the foals, trains them, and prepares them to be sold in Kentucky. Her horses then go on to have outstanding successes on the tracks.

Susan has a team of people that come in everyday to help care for horses by feeding, turning them in and out, giving them fresh bedding, and all the medications essential for their best health. There are vets and farriers there almost every day so the horses are healthy and comfortable. My role as a "Farm Hand/Animal Care Giver is to make sure all horses are fed, watered, groomed, have fresh

stalls, and make sure they are all brought outside and back in for the night with everything they need. I help hold the horses and keep them calm for medications and procedures. I have also stayed overnight at the barn to help with the birth of a foal. Some tasks I may still get the chance to do in the future is riding some of the young horses that are getting prepared for a race, and also maybe even going to a sale in Kentucky to watch the horses being sold.

Since working for Susan, she has inspired me investigate many types of careers that could be in my future. I have always wanted to have a career that involves working with animals every day. Sue has mentioned that she would be willing to teach me more about getting into a business like hers. I have also examined what it would take to pursue a career as a Veterinarian, a Farrier, and as an animal nutritionist/therapist.

Susan Foreman at Six Gables contributes to the community by offering opportunities to students that are in school and wanting to learn on the job. She is an excellent role model and an incredible wealth of knowledge.

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Dufferin Cricket Club starting first season June 11

Sunday morning from 9 to 1 o'clock. We are launching on Saturday, June 11 at 9:00 a.m. This will be the official launch of the club. We'll have a game afterwards."

The Club is planning to have opening ceremonies on the Saturday, with several invited guests including local politicians and special members of the cricket world.

"The plan is to allow time for speeches and then from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. we'll be having refreshments. We will have a short game from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m."

The event will take place at KTH Park in Shelburne.

The Town has already created a cricket pitch in the park by cutting the grass down to

a minimum to create the hard surface needed when bowling the ball during a game.

"We want to spread the word that cricket is in Dufferin County," Anand said. "Two of my colleagues have been in talks with the Mayor of Orangeville and he has committed to giving us a ground to play, but of course this has to go through council."

The Club plans to have a weekly playing schedule through the summer. They will be playing every Saturday.

Along with Anand, club organizers include former professional cricket player David Weedon, leader of the Muslims of Dufferin County Iman Soliman, and leader of the Sikh Community in Dufferin, Nihang Gurman.

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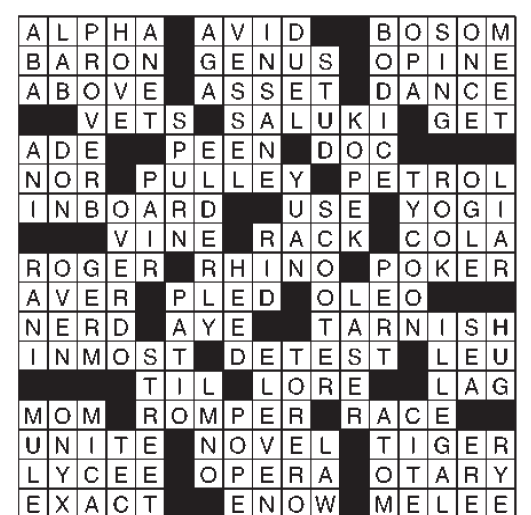
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