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NEW CAFÉ: Shelburne resident Rose De Marco sees 14 year vision come true with opening of her business DeMarco's Caffe, located at 115 Owen Sound Street, on July 28.

DeMarco's Caffe opens in Shelburne

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

For 14 years Rose De Marco has had the vision of opening her own café, and now after years of planning, her vision has come to fruition.

DeMarco's Caffe, located at 115 Owen Sound Street in Shelburne, began brewing coffees and serving desserts to customers on July 28 as they officially opened their doors to the community.

"It's a little bit emotional, but it's also a sweet feeling," De Marco told the Free Press. "I was sitting here [in the café] with my sister and she told me I should open and I said I wasn't ready, but I sat there again and decided to take the paper down and turn my light on; I was ready to serve. I can honestly tell you I am so happy that I carried out this vision and I'm so grateful."

The establishing of DeMarco's Caffe began in 2009 with the idea of creating a cozy, small

space to serve unique blends of coffee and desserts. Over the next decade, De Marco would come up with different ideas of what her café would include, but it wasn't until December of 2018 that she would sit down to begin researching and writing down all her plans.

"I couldn't help but follow through with it. I tried to run away from it many times through out the years, but in 2018 I had this urge that felt like, this vision I had was going to be taken and it was going to be gone," said DeMarco.

De Marco first launched her business online in 2019 and introduced her own specialty blend known as DeMarco's Jamaican/Italian Peppermint Expresso. During that time, she worked on the plans for the brick-and-mortar location in Shelburne, which would open almost three years later.

Much like their signature expresso blend, DeMarco's Caffe itself is a mix of Rose's Jamaican origins and her husband, Anto-

nio's, Italian roots.

When talking about the experience she hopes customers get from visiting the café, De Marco speaks largely on the feeling of love.

"I'm here to serve the people and I want them to feel love from every drink knowing that it was brewed with love. I want them to feel welcome, happy, and to sit down and know that they're in a place of love," said De Marco.

DeMarco's Caffe sells a number of drink and dessert items with an ever developing and growing list. The drink menu includes hot drinks such as coffee, tea and hot chocolate as well as cold beverages like smoothies and iced refreshers.

The selection of desserts ranges from a variety of cheesecakes and cakes, to cannoli and cookies.

"I believe that this café is going to be a place to bring love into the community and will be instrumental to Shelburne," said De Marco.

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Authors in the Hills of Mulmur making return

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

After a two-year hiatus local literary event Authors in the Hills of Mulmur is making a return, and it's doing so with a tasty new twist.

"We're quite excited to be back in action," said Marian Gallagher, chair of Authors in the Hills of Mulmur. "It's a well-received event in the community, people enjoy it and so we keep doing it."

Authors in the Hills of Mulmur is an annual literacy event held in the beautifully restored Foley Barn, located in the hills of Mulmur. The event brings together friends, neighbours, and community members for a discussion and reflection on a featured author's writings.

The theme of this year's event is "The Perfect Recipe" and includes four Canadian cookbook authors: Mairlyn Smith, Joshna Maharaj, Trish Magwood, and Diedre Buryk. Each of the well-known authors will be talking on various topics surrounding food including farm to table, ethical and sustainable practices, and their favourite recipes.

Mairlyn Smith, an award-winning cookbook author and self-appointed Queen of Fibre, will be showcasing her newest cookbook Peace, Love and Fibre. With over a hundred fibre-rich recipes, Smith breaks down



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MEET THE AUTHOR: Award-winning author and entrepreneur, Trish Magwood, who wrote My New Table, will be speaking at the upcoming Authors in the Hills of Mulmur on Aug. 21 at the Foley Barn.

what fibre is, the role it plays in a healthy life, and how to incorporate it into every meal-time, meal-type, or dietary restriction all while sharing her reflections on life, often with a comedic flair.

Chef and activist Joshna Maharaj is inter-

ested in the state of our food system. In discussing her 2020 cookbook, Take Back the Tray, she will explore the revolutionizing of institutional kitchens such as those in hospitals, prisons, and schools and how they can produce good, nourishing food.

Award-winning author and entrepreneur, Trish Magwood will be sharing her latest cookbook, My New Table. A collection of more than a hundred everyday recipes that follow the rhythm of the seasons, Magwood shares inspiration for gathering around the table.

Diedre Buryk, a recipe and content developer, will reveal how to make the most of seasonal Ontario produce with her cookbook, Peak Season, is made up of recipes guided by the month as a way to explore locally available ingredients.

As a tasty twist to the 2022 Authors in the Hills of Mulmur, each of the authors has been asked to pick two recipes from their cookbook to have served at the event.

"I hope the community learns something and I hope they get some new ideas for serving wonderful foods at home," said Gallagher.

Authors in the Hills of Mulmur will be held on Sunday, August 21 at 1 p.m. in the Foley Barn located at 587146 Side Road 10 (County Rd. 17).

The books featured at the event will be available for purchase and a book signing with the authors has also been scheduled.

Tickets for the event cost \$35 each and can be purchased online via email at: treasurer@shelburnelibrary.ca or in-person at the Shelburne Public Library, Mulmur Town Office and Booklore in Orangeville.

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Annual Backpack Project raising donations to help kids

Written By **PAULA BROWN**
LOCAL JOURNALISM INITIATIVE REPORTER

While the summer is yet to be over the start of a new school year is not far away, and along with it comes the customary back-to-school shopping.

For some, the preparation for another school year is a last-minute shopping trip, but for others it can be a struggle to even make sure they have the basic supplies needed to be successful in the classroom.

The Hamper Backpack Project is raising funds to help combat that struggle and provide students in the community with back-to-school supplies.

"We're about halfway to the money that we need to help the students signed up," said Bobbi Ferguson, chair of the Backpack Project. "We have a month to go before school starts and we are still in need of money."

The Backpack Project is an annual initiative run by the service clubs of Shelburne, which looks to provide school supplies for students from junior kindergarten up to grade 12. When it was launched in 2020, the program provided 85 backpacks, water bottle, lunch bags, and various school supplies to kids in Shelburne and the surrounding area.

Last year, the program aided 97 students with their return to school.

"It was great last year, the kids were excited when they went to get their backpacks," said Ferguson. "You can probably remember what it's like to get back to school supplies and how exciting it is. It means everything for a kid to have bright shiny new items to go back to school with."

So far this year they've registered 98 students, but Ferguson said she expects at least 20 more by the end of the month. It's a number they're unsure they'll be able to support.

"This is something that we can help families with to get through a difficult time and we'll certainly do what we can to help all that we can. I always hate to say no, but we might have to cut it off this year and that's something I never want to have to do," said Ferguson.

In just two short years, the Backpack Project and seen a steady increase in the number of students reaching out for their services.

Fergusons said there are a number of factors that have resulted in the programs rising demand.

"We're about halfway to the money that we need to help the students signed up. We have a month to go before school starts and we are still in need of money."

-Bobbi Ferguson
chair of Backpack Project

"The price of fuel to drive to work, the price of food and the price of everything; somethings have to give," said Ferguson. "You pay your mortgage or rent, put food on the table and sometimes there just isn't enough money for a backpack or school supplies for a child to go back to school."

The organizers put a lot of thought into the program and how they put together the backpacks each year, including which items are most needed for the new school year. The backpacks and supplies are targeted to be age appropriate for specific students, which is determined based on the registration through the Shelburne Food Bank.

The backpacks are then handed out to the individual students when they visit Shepherd's Cupboard.

The cost of putting together the backpacks for the local students is no cheap feat. To have a backpack, a water bottle, and a lunch bag put together for one student costs between \$50 to \$75.

Ferguson noted that in 2021, they spent over \$6,000 putting together the backpacks for the 97 students.

Some businesses as well as private individuals have stepped up to help support the Backpack Project with donations including a combined \$1,000 from both local Tim Horton's and a collection campaign at RISE Physio and Wellness.

Anyone who is interested in making a donation to the Backpack Project can contact organizers via email at: www.shelburnechristmashampers@gmail.com or by calling 519-278-4578.



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Dan Davidson plays in Shelburne for HMF Concert Series



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HMF CONCERT: Albertan country singing sensation, Dan Davidson headlined the Heritage Music Festival in Shelburne at the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex on Friday (Aug. 5). Jessie T also performed and an after party was took place afterwards with DJ Rod West behind the decks.

Not done yet: Mulmur mayor seeks another term

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

Mulmur Mayor Janet Horner said she has been part of excellent councils in the past, and would like to keep the trend going.

Horner hopes to return to the township's top council position in the Oct. 24 municipal election.

"I have enjoyed my time on council both as a councillor and mayor," she said. "I have been fortunate to be part of excellent councils – a good mix of people who were determined to work together to improve things in Mulmur for the residents."

There's a housing crisis on-going throughout much of Ontario. And Mulmur has its share of the problem. The crowd at Queen's Park encourages municipalities to encourage housing construction, she said. But that's only part of the solution.

"Any development that comes to Mulmur must be carefully planned so that it does not make a wholesale change to the community that currently exists," she said. "Change is

inevitable but council should help ensure that any change aligns with the values of the community and the common good at the same time."

Pandemic-born inflation spurred by worldwide supply issues and record money printing is a thorn in the side of residents Ontario-wide. Money is at the root of major issues facing Mulmur taxpayers as well. And Horner said council has to continue to carefully plan service delivery without a drastic rate increase.

That can be accomplished with a continued "can-do" attitude among councillors and township staff, she said.

She counts environmental protection and enhancement as a plank in her re-election platform. As a partner in a farming operation, she said she understands the day-to-day struggles with weather and as part many agricultural organizations.

"I also understand the larger global picture that affects the activities of our farm," she said. "Whenever possible, I will encourage the protection of agricultural lands (while) understanding that some of the slopes and

sands of Mulmur are not good candidates for growing crops."

Horner's more than 40 years in agriculture has proven beneficial to her as a commissioner on the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

In addition to protecting the landform, the Niagara Escarpment is a living landscape and she said farmers and small businesses need to be able to make a living on the escarpment.

"I believe that I still have leadership and vision to offer to my community and would like to be part of that for the next term," said Horner. "We also have a very strong staff team in the Mulmur office who listen to council, advise us appropriately, and make the job of mayor an exciting challenge."

Candidates for council, mayor, and deputy mayor have until Aug. 19 to submit nomination paperwork.



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We're number one!

The list of the world's happiest countries has finally been announced for 2022.

Of course we've all been waiting for this prestigious list so we know how happy we are compared to our neighbours.

According to the people who put the World Happiness Report together, they use statistical analysis based on a country's gross domestic product per capita, social support, healthy life expectancy, freedom to make your own life choices, generosity of the general population, and perception of internal and external corruption levels.

Canada ranked in at number 14 on the list, which isn't bad considering there are 50 countries on the published list and currently 195 recognized countries on the planet.

Finland was ranked as number one – the happiest place on the planet. Apparently living in Finland is akin to spending every day at Disneyland.

On the other end of the scale, Afghanistan was ranked as the most miserable places on the planet. That's no surprise. I don't think there will be too many happy people who live in a country where bucking the social norm or saying the wrong thing could result in having your head cut off.

These global rankings are always popping up on social media and news feeds and rank a variety of different things around the world.

Can you really rate something like happiness? Having a decent job and responsible government are good things to have, but it doesn't make you happy. Some people have all the advantages in life, and are still miserable.

I'm pretty sure if you put a group of Finnish people and Australians, who ranked eleventh, in the same room for a party, you would not notice the Finns are all having a better time.

Another ranking that came across my desks was the 'worst universities in Canada.' I always thought that was more of an American thing to look down on others for the school they attended.

Thurston Howell III, always made it clear as a Harvard man, he detested Yale men, or maybe it was the other way around.

The list named several universities that are considered the worst schools in Canada. Apparently, it was created for international students who are considering moving here to go to school. Oddly enough, the report goes on to say that although they are

the worst schools, they are still better than many universities in other countries.

The ranking pretty much fell apart when I started reading this list and it mentioned Nipissing University as being in "Northern Bay," Ontario.

An error like that could result in many international students ending up on Baffin Island after requesting a flight to a city that doesn't exist.

The schools listed as the 'worst' were all smaller schools around the country in areas with smaller populations. Does learning a subject in a small school actually mean you are learning less, and are less qualified than if you were in a school in a large metropolitan area studying the same thing?

There's an old joke when it comes to ranking your doctor who graduated as one of the poorer students in his class.

"What do you call a doctor who graduated last in his class? - A doctor."

Giving a university a low ranking is just a way of giving someone else a reason to look down on students who go there as 'less qualified' and the professors as less knowledgeable than other teachers.

I saw an interview with a well-known

Canadian scholar during a television debate on why private American schools were better than public institutions.

After graduating from an East Coast Ivy League school, many students are saddled with hundreds of thousands of dollars in student debt.

The scholar said, "Do you really think you're getting a better education at Harvard, than you are at the University of Toronto, which is a public school?"

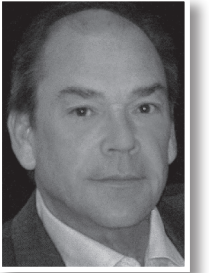
The other people on the panel could not offer a logical rebuttal.

I once had an interesting conversation with an experienced automotive technician about a magazine that ranked the reliability of different automobiles. He told me that some of the highest ranked cars in the magazine were the among the ones he saw regularly in his shop.

"Who do you think is paying to have their car ranked at the top?" he said.

On the happiness scale we came out one ahead of Ireland, who ranked in the number 15 spot, and five ahead of the U.S., which came in a number 19.

I'm glad we're so much happier than them.



BRIAN LOCKHART
FROM THE SECOND ROW

James Lovelock: Darwin's heir

Jim Lovelock was a late bloomer. His first book, 'Gaia: a New Look at Life on Earth', was published in 1979, when he was already 60 years old. By the time he died last Thursday, on his 103rd birthday, he had written ten more books on Gaia, the hypothesis that has evolved into the key academic discipline of Earth System Science.

That gives him a strong claim to be Charles Darwin's legitimate heir. Just as Darwin's 19th-century theory of evolution shaped our understanding of how life became so diverse, our understanding of the present is shaped by Lovelock's idea that the millions of living species function as a self-regulating mechanism that keeps the planet cool enough for abundant life.

The puzzle that started Lovelock down that road was the fact that the Sun's radiation has increased by 30% since life appeared on Earth 3.7 billion years ago, while the planet's average temperature, despite occasional huge surges up or down, has consistently returned to the narrow range most suitable for life.

What was making that happen?

Collaborating with American biologist Lynn Margulis in the 1970s, he worked out a tentative description of the super-organism he named 'Gaia' and wrote his first book. Most

scientists treated it with disdain because he was not a biologist, but also because 'Gaia' had 'New-Age' connotations that he was unaware of. (Jim was not a hippy.)

By 1988, however, the scientific world was starting to take the theory seriously. In 2001 a special congress of more than 1,000 physicists, biologists and climate scientists declared that the planet "behaves as a single self-regulating system comprised of physical, chemical, biological and human components."

'Gaia' (under the more dignified name of Earth System Science) had achieved the status of scientific orthodoxy, Meanwhile, Lovelock had been accorded the status of honorary environmental saint by the Greens, although he regarded most of their priorities as mere distractions and some, like their hostility to nuclear power, as potentially lethal blunders.

Jim Lovelock's blunt predictions of global climate disaster were once seen as exaggerated, but he understood what was really happening. In his first book, in 1979, he gave a warning that I can still quote verbatim forty-three years later.

"The larger the proportion of the Earth's biomass occupied by mankind and the animals and crops required to nourish us, the more involved we become in the transfer of solar

and other energy throughout the entire system...We shall have to tread carefully to avoid the cybernetic disasters of runaway positive feedback or of sustained oscillation..."

"If...man had encroached on Gaia's functional powers to such an extent that he had disabled her, he would then wake up one day to find that he had the permanent lifelong job of planetary maintenance engineer...and the ceaseless intricate task of keeping all the global cycles in balance would be ours.

"Then at last we should be riding that strange contraption, 'the spaceship Earth', and whatever tamed and domesticated biosphere remained would indeed be our 'life support system'...(We would face) the final choice of permanent enslavement on the prison hulk of the spaceship Earth, or gigadeath to enable the survivors to restore a Gaian world."

Apocalyptic but accurate, and yet he never despaired. I didn't meet him for the first time until twenty years after that book, but every time I went down to Devon to see him his natural cheerfulness kept breaking through his professional pessimism. Eventually, I asked him about it.

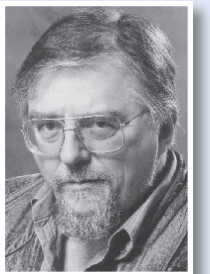
He replied: "Why do I oscillate between being cheerful and being pessimistic? My role, really, my main job, is being a prophet, and it's

the only way you can make prophecy. You have to build up scenarios in your mind: it could go this way or it could go that way, and only then can you get a more balanced picture of what the future might be like.

"Earth's behaviour itself is uncertain enough, but people's behaviour is the biggest uncertainty of all. I mean, we might be on course for curing all these problems and then some stupid, silly war or a pandemic breaks out and it takes all our minds away from it. We're the Joker in the pack."

We are not on course for curing all these problems, of course. We're far off course, as Jim well knew, but he has given us the vital context of a self-regulating Gaian system. Without that, we wouldn't even know where to start trying to mend the damage we have done.

He was also a brilliant inventor: his 'electron capture detector' confirmed the existence of the ozone hole and made him financially independent. He had a side hustle as a real-life Q, a gadget-maker for MI5. But above all he was a warm, gentle man with an impish sense of humour. It was a privilege to know him.



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Dufferin man faces assault and meth possession

Police have charged a person with drug possession and assault, following two incidents at a local business.

Dufferin OPP responded to a call for service at a business near Broadway and Sherbourne Street around 6:30 p.m. on Sunday (Aug. 7).

The suspect was attempting to gain access to an area of the store that is only accessible to employees and fled the store when confronted, according to police.

A short time later he was located by Dufferin OPP officers, who commenced an investigation, and determined the suspect was in possession of methamphetamine.

The suspect was charged and released from the scene by officers.

But later that day, just one and a half hours later, Dufferin OPP responded to a second call for service at the same business.

The same suspect had returned to the store and started to argue with a cashier. The suspect then assaulted the cashier and fled the scene but was quickly located by Dufferin OPP officers.

As a result of both investigations, Justin SINCLAIR, 35-year-old, from Orangeville was charged with the following:

- Possession of a Schedule 1 substance (Methamphetamine)
- Assault with a weapon

The accused is currently in custody pending the outcome of a bail hearing. These charges have not been proven in court.

Lock your vehicle: Dufferin OPP

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are reminding Dufferin County residents to lock their vehicles.

Over the past week, Dufferin OPP has responded to several calls for service in Shelburne for unlocked vehicles that have been entered during the night. Officers have viewed video and the suspect attempts to

open car doors. If the door is locked, they simply move on to the next car until they find one that is unlocked. The suspect removes easy to access items like money or anything of value that can be easily carried while on foot.

Dufferin OPP asks residents to please lock your doors and keep valuables out of sight or remove them altogether.

Dufferin OPP is committed to public safety, delivering proactive and innovative policing in partnership with our communities. Officers value your contribution to building safe communities. If you have information about suspected unlawful activity, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-822-8477 (TIPS) or www.ontariocrimestoppers.ca

Impaired operation charges laid earlier in week

Local police charged a driver with impaired operation during the early hours of Monday (Aug. 8) morning.

Dufferin OPP received a traffic complaint of a possible impaired driver on Highway 9 in Caledon, and a keen-eyed Dufferin OPP officer located the vehicle and driver on Montgomery Boulevard in Orangeville at 2:15 a.m.

The officer investigated the traffic complaint and was led into an impaired operation investigation.

As a result of the investigation, Karsyn FINK, 22-year-old, from Orangeville has been charged with:

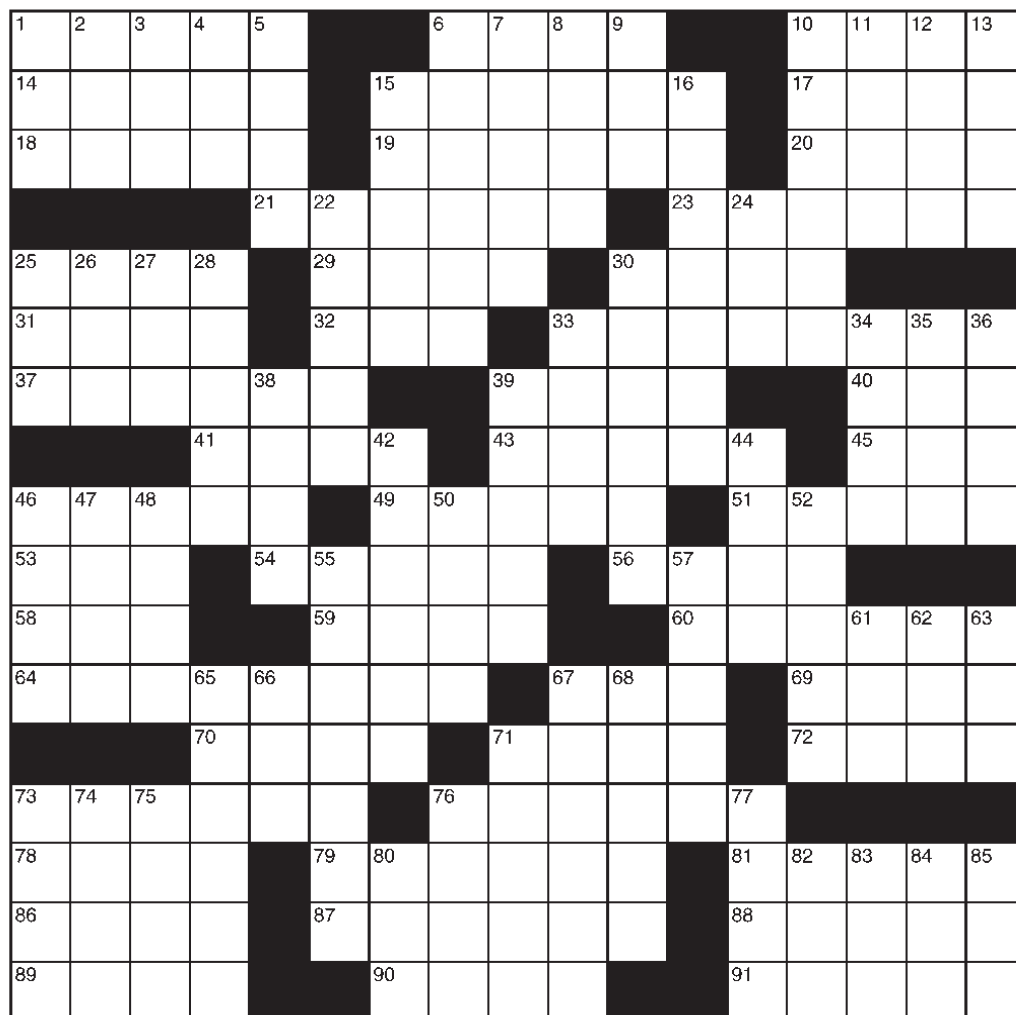
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration (80 plus)

The accused is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville, in October of 2022, to answer to the charge. The accused driver's licence was suspended for 90 days, and their vehicle impounded for seven days. These charges have not been proven in court.



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- 15. Cuban music
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- 26. Go astray
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- 28. Elicit
- 30. Heaven's ____ Gates
- 33. Rock back and forth
- 34. Indian nursemaid
- 35. Wide valley
- 36. Decorative jug
- 38. Fizzy beverage
- 39. Herring
- 42. Scuff
- 44. Mongolian dwelling
- 46. Sport
- 47. Money exchange fee
- 48. Silent okays
- 50. Inscribe
- 52. Express derision
- 55. Posh
- 57. Television sound
- 61. Mom and apple ____
- 62. Tourist lodging
- 63. Sum up
- 65. Develop
- 66. Nipped
- 67. Narrative poem
- 68. Shoelace tip
- 71. Miniature
- 73. Old Gaelic
- 74. Quarrel
- 75. Tusk
- 76. Nicklaus's cry
- 77. "____ Street" (film)
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- 83. Luck
- 84. Hook shape
- 85. Formerly named

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- 14. Spam source
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- 17. Hog
- 18. ____-ski
- 19. Coed
- 20. Draw a salary
- 21. Royal fur
- 23. Turn sour
- 25. Apportion
- 29. English horn
- 30. Pedro's dough
- 31. Nudge
- 32. Active hostility
- 33. "____ in Blue"
- 37. Grumble
- 39. Switch
- 40. Deviate from course

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- 46. Withered
- 49. Green, glassy mineral
- 51. Theater guide
- 53. Conscious being
- 54. Corpuscle's passageway
- 56. Knitter's material
- 58. Benefit
- 59. Agreement
- 60. Paradise
- 64. Flowering shrub
- 67. Michael Jackson album
- 69. Orange covering
- 70. Marathon segment
- 71. Creche figures
- 72. Mind
- 73. Wimpy
- 76. Succeed
- 78. Kind of admiral

- 79. Soup ingredient, possibly
- 81. Pale
- 86. Chanted
- 87. Harassment
- 88. Tenant's document
- 89. Trim
- 90. Pinochle term
- 91. Expire

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- 1. Social drink
- 2. Ornerly small fry
- 3. Popeye is one
- 4. Go hastily
- 5. Different
- 6. Final year student
- 7. Sheepish
- 8. ____ and shine!
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SHELBURNE SPORTS

Nicholson wins Junior Cubs playoff game with walk-off home run

Written By Brian Lockhart

It was one of the most exciting finishes to a baseball game this season when the Mansfield Junior Cubs won the first game of their second round North Dufferin Baseball League junior division playoff series against the Georgina Bulldogs.

The game was tied at three in the seventh inning when the Cubs took their last at-bat.

With one man on base, Ben Nicholson stepped up to the plate and hit the ball over the left field fence for a walk-off home run that gave the Cubs a 5-3 win in game one of the series.

"He's near the top of the league in this year's batting average," said Cubs coach, Lance Bryan. "It was a walk-off for Ben Nicholson and he has been one of our better batters all year. I've had him in the three-spot all year. It was fast paced with no errors on either side. We stole bases well. It was a quick game. Both pitchers were on – it was their best pitcher and our best pitcher. Aaron Dempsey started on the mound - he went 5-0 for us during the year and had a playoff win in the first round."

It was a fast paced game with lots of hitting and good defensive work by both teams.

Georgina opened the scoring in the first inning.

The Cubs responded in the bottom of the first when Dylan Brown singled then stole second base. He was batted in for the first Mansfield run of the game.

The top of the third ended with no runs when the Cubs made a double play at first and third.

The Cubs scored again in the third when Ben Nicholson stole second base followed by a hit from Aidan Pain that brought him across the plate for a 2-1 Mansfield lead.

Georgina scored in the fourth inning to make it a 2-2 game. The Bulldogs went ahead by a single run in the fourth inning.

A hit to deep right field by Jake Armstrong in the fifth inning brought in the tying run to make it a 3-3 game.

When Georgina failed to score in the final inning, the Cubs had one last chance to break the tie and Nicholson stepped up and got the job done.

Game two of the best-of-three series took place on Tuesday, August 9, with results not available at press time.

If necessary, game three of the series will be back in Mansfield on Thursday, August 11.

The first pitch is slated for 6:00 p.m.



BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

BIG SLIDE: Mansfield's Luke Dunmore slides into second base and is safe during the Cub's first second round playoff game against the Georgina Bulldogs on Sunday, August 7. The Cubs won the game 5-3 after a walk-off home run in the seventh inning.

Local ball hockey players help team win National Championship

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

It's been a couple of years since the National Ball Hockey Championships took place, but a return to competition gave two local players the opportunity to compete at a high level and take home a National Championship.

Shelburne residents' Jackson Davis and Mason Burke play for the New Tecumseth U15 Extreme team and they travelled to Winnipeg for July 28 – 31 to compete for a national title in the Canadian Ball Hockey Association 2022 Junior National Championships.

The Championship featured teams from across the country. The Extreme arrived with three full lines of players, two goalies, and coaches.

The team qualified a couple of years ago, but the Championship was cancelled and some players left the team. Players had to try out for the new squad.

"We played four round-robin games, then a semi-final and a final," explained Jackson. "It

was awesome to play there. The games were really quick, it was really fast. There wasn't any weaknesses on any team – it was a lot of hard battles – it was really fun."

The Extreme won the championship with a 3-2 overtime victory over the British Columbia Wolverines, scoring 48 seconds into the overtime period.

Jackson scored two of the goals in the final game.

"We were losing 2-0 at one point, but then we got a power play in the second period and I scored on the power play to make it 2-1. There was about a minute and a-half left and we pulled the goalie, and fortunately I scored again."

Mason Burke is a long-time ball hockey player who went to the New Tecumseth League during the pandemic when other leagues stopped playing.

Mason had to try out for the team when they put out a call for players and he played defence.

"It was so cool coming from a small town like Shelburne and flying across the country

to play ball hockey," Mason said of the experience he enjoyed with his team. "The games were very intense but it was a lot of fun playing against teams from different provinces. We played against Newfoundland, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and two teams from B.C. The final game was really stressful. We went down 2-0 quickly and we didn't come back until the third period. It was 2-1 at the beginning of the third. The overtime period – I was about as nervous as I've ever been. The overtime period was four-on-four for ten minutes. We had to get our nerves back and keep doing what we were doing for the whole tournament."

New Tec Extreme National Team head coach, Aaron Walmsley, praised his players for the effort they showed during the tournament.

"Jackson was a clutch goal scorer for us," Aaron said. "He found the back of the net in almost every game, including twice in the gold medal game. His second goal of the final game came with our goalie pulled and one minute left in regulation. Mason was a

critical player on our team, playing big minutes on defence, including running the first powerplay unit. He was a quiet leader for our group. Both Shelburne boys have been great additions to our New Tec Program."

Arron said his team showed a lot of determination during the tournament.

"After losing our first round robin game we made a few adjustments and our team continued to get stronger and stronger with each game – we never lost again – momentum and belief kept building. The group showed incredible resiliency, never more evident than in the gold medal game, coming back from a two-goal deficit and winning in OT. This was a group of players who cared more about team success than individual success. They battled with the best players from many provinces and proved successful. I couldn't be prouder of a group than I am of this team."

The New Tec League sent four teams to the National Championship and they all did well.

Along with the U15 champions, the Leagues U19 team also won the national championship.

Gladiators qualify for Shelburne Cricket Club final in September

Week ten of the Shelburne Cricket Club's house league was a double header for the Shelburne Gladiators.

The Gladiators were up against the Shelburne Knights on August 6, on the pitch at

KTH Park.

The Knights won the toss and decided to field.

Starting out strong, with Hassan Adil scoring his second century and held on past 114

runs – yet another record by the Gladiators.

Supported by the rest of the team, they made a total of 176 runs.

The Knights tried to chase the score but their opening batsman came up short and gave four wickets in the first three overs. The middle order tried to take control of the situation with Suresh Sudhakaran scoring 54 runs.

The Knights made only 143 runs in 20 overs, giving the win to the Gladiators.

Hassan Adil was the man of the match.

The Gladiators returned the pitch the following day to play against the Shelburne Warriors.

The Warriors won the toss and decided to bat.

Their opening collapsed as the Warriors were 25 for three batsmen down on the

board. The middle overs were controlled by Jajbir Sran and Lenroy Whorms by making a partnership of 101 runs, with 42 and 43 respectively.

The Warriors put a total of 149 runs on the board.

When the Gladiators came up to bat, they were confident with captain Sujay Sunny making 49 runs and Deepak Bhamra making 32.

The match was a nail biter with both teams in contention for the win.

The Warriors came out on top by 15 runs.

Sujay Sunny was the man of the match.

With the win, the Warriors have secured their spot in the final which is scheduled to take place on September 3, weather permitting.

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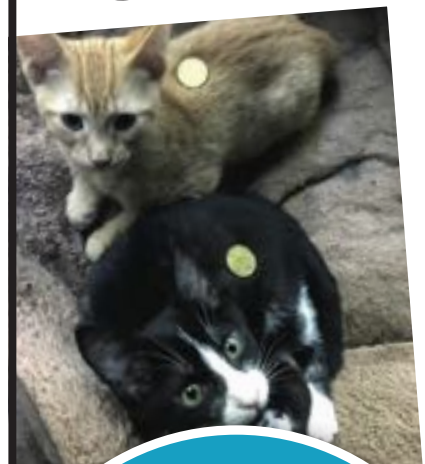
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Friends and family were received at the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home, Shelburne on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 from 1-2 p.m. The funeral service followed in the funeral home chapel at 2:00 p.m. Interment took place at Shelburne Cemetery. If desired, donations to Parkinson Canada or the Jays Care Foundation would be appreciated as expressions of sympathy. Online condolences may be placed at www.jackandthompsonfuneralhome.com.

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RISING STARS: As a part of the Bands, Brews, and BBQ event, held through the HMF Concert series at Fiddle Park, the Dufferin Rising Star 2022 winners were announced. Matlockes (left) came in first place, Maddie (centre) came in second, and The Black Atoms (right) came in third. Each winner received a cash reward.



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