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## Rundown of candidates and their platforms

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

The election of six individuals who will sit on Shelburne Town Council for the next four-year term will soon be determined with the municipal election (Oct. 24) days away.

Here is the list of candidates running for election and their platforms.

**Councillor Candidates**  
Twelve candidates are in the running for five open councillor seats.

**Jim Bates**

A life-long resident of Dufferin County, Bates grew up on a farm in the Township of Amaranth and eventually moved to Orangeville. Around 12 years ago he made the decision to move to Shelburne.

Bates works for the Region of Peel as a sub foreman in the composting facility.

He is a first-time election candidate.

- Infrastructure projects such as the wastewater plant, road improvements, and a bypass
- Keeping taxes low
- Fresh ideas and change in the community

**Marcus Bennett**

- Economic Development
- Upgrades roads, sidewalks, and speed safety
- Health Care

**Walter Benotto**

Benotto has been a long-standing resident of Shelburne, living in the community for nearly 40 years.

He has served on Shelburne Town Council for the past 23 years, running in every election since 1996.

During his time with council, Benotto has served on almost every committee and board including the Centre Dufferin Recreation Complex (CDRC), Heritage, Accessibility and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, to name a few.

- Tourism through arts and culture
- Accessibility
- Infrastructure upgrades to the fire hall, sewage treatment plant, roads, sidewalks, and waterpipes
- Bypass
- Parks and recreation amenities, including an indoor swimming pool and YMCA to provide programming
- Amenities including a in-door swimming pool and YMCA to provide programming

**Lynda Buffett**

Buffet has been a resident of Shelburne for 24 years and over the years has been an active volunteer member for the Rotary Club of Shelburne as well as with Town Council appointed committees.

While the current term of council was Buffett's first as a councillor on Shelburne Town Council, she has previously service as a councillor for the Town of Whitby.

She is a local real estate agent with Royal LePage.

- Downtown revitalization and heritage
- Expanding recreational services
- Attracting commercial and industrial development
- Variety in housing types

**Kyle Fegan**

Fegan has been a resident of Shelburne for over 13 years. An advertising designer by trade, Fegan owns and operates a local advertising agency called Impact Kreative. In 2018, he also opened Impact Marial Arts, a judo dojo.

Fegan has been a volunteer with the annual Polar Plunge for Special Olympic and with the local food bank.

The 2018 to 2022 term marked Fegan's first-time serving as a council member.

- Fiscal responsibility
- Infrastructure including wastewater plant
- Arts, culture and heritage-based projects

**Sophia Geddes**

Geddes has been a resident of Shelburne for the last 8 years. She is a registered nurse, a member of the Ontario Nurses Association and a former Inpatient Manager at the Center for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH).

Geddes is a first-time candidate for the municipal election.

- Mental Health and Addiction services
- Recreation for youth
- School zone safety

**Len Guchardi**

Guchardi is a long-time resident of Shelburne and recently retired from a 22-year career in education at Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS).

As a volunteer, Guchardi has worked on an on-going basis with a number of not-for-profit organizations.

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- Accessibility
- Expanding local transit
- Infrastructure
- Donating 30 per cent of council salary to local food bank

indoor and outdoor

- Housing

### Lindsay Wegener

Wegener has been a resident of Shelburne for nearly 20 years.

A veterinary technician by trade, Wegener worked at the Headwaters Veterinary Hospital before opening her local dog grooming business, Spaw-Fect Grooming.

Wegener has been actively involved in the community including as a board member for the Fall Fair, a member of both the Street Festival and Canada Day Committees, a leader for the local Girl Guides, a former Kinette, and organizer of the Junior Schoolers Minor Softball.

Most recently, through council, she's sat as the vice-chair of the CDRC Board and vice-chair of the Heritage Committee.

- Parks and Recreation
- Government transparency
- Voicing community concerns

### Deputy Mayor:

Three candidates are vying for the spot of deputy mayor on the next term of Council.

### Steve Anderson

Anderson has been a council member on Shelburne Town Council for the last five years. He began his political career when he was appointed to council in 2017, following the passing of councillor Tom Egan. Anderson has served as deputy mayor throughout the 2018 to 2022 term.

During his time on council, he has served on the CDRC Board of Management, Shelburne's first Anti-Discrimination taskforce, and the DEI Committee. At the County level, he has also sat on the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee as well as the Tourism Committee.

Anderson is a practicing litigation lawyer and has worked for the TTC for over 17 years.

- Upgrades to parks and recreation; community hub, covered pool, walking track, YMCA programming
- Local health care services
- Bypass

### Shane Hall

Hall has been a resident of Shelburne for over 35 years.

For 25 years, Hall has worked at KTH Manufacturing in Shelburne and currently holds the position of Facility President.

He has been an avid volunteer with local sports teams including as an assistant coach and trainer and has volunteered with a number of locally based service clubs.

He has sat as a councillor on Shelburne Town Council for the 2018 to 2022 term.

- Upgrades to infrastructure including the wastewater treatment plant and bypass
- Government transparency
- Budget and taxes
- Kuldeep Verma
- Expansion of public transit

Shelburne's incumbent Mayor, Wade Mills, ran unopposed in the 2022 municipal election and was acclaimed.

For information on how to vote in the Shelburne Town Council Election visit [www.shelburne.ca](http://www.shelburne.ca).

The municipal election will take place on Oct. 24.

### Randy Narine

Narine has been a Shelburne resident for over a decade. He currently works as a professional firefighter with the City of Brampton while also volunteering with the Shelburne & District Fire Department.

He had worked for the Ministry of Labour, overseeing the health and safety for firefighters in the province and was appointed to the Fire Safety Council of Ontario in 2022.

Narine is also board chair for Choices Youth Shelter and has been instrumental in creating the first men's homeless shelter in Dufferin County, which is slated to open in November.

He is a first-time candidate for the municipal election.

- Expanding support services for Shelburne's vulnerable and at-risk population
- Shifting tax burden to commercial rather than residential
- Upgrades to infrastructure including fire hall and sewage treatment plant

### Alethia O'Hara Stephenson

O'Hara Stephenson moved to Shelburne in 2014.

In June of 2020, she founded the Dufferin County Canadian Black Association (DCCBA), of which she is the president of.

O'Hara Stephenson has sat on a number of committees and boards, most notably the Joint Accessibility and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee. She was also a key figure in establishing DEI Committees across Dufferin County.

- Expanding recreation services with new multi-purpose facility
- Economic development
- Affordability and fiscal responsibility

### Dan Sample

Sample has been a long-time resident of Dufferin County and moved to the Shelburne community in 2012.

He retired from Honda of Canada Mfg. after 30 years of employment and currently works at Miedemas Auto Sales in Mono.

Sample has served as an executive board member on a number of local sports clubs as well as volunteering with the scouts and local legion. He has sat as a chair member for a number of committees including the Heritage Music Festival, Fiddle Parade and Shelburne Fest.

Sample previously served on Shelburne Town Council for the 2014 to 2018 term as a councillor.

- Revitalization of downtown core through BIA boundary expansion
- Parks and Recreation improvement
- Road safety, speeding prevention, town parking, and road improvements

### Vincent Lee Sterling

Sterling has been a resident of Shelburne since 2017.

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- Sewage treatment plant
- Bypass
- Recreational facilities and services both

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# The cost of housing

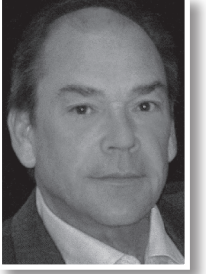
We all need a place to live. While some people do head out into the backwoods and live 'off the grid', that really isn't feasible in modern society. You don't really want to be raising your kids in a tent or dirt floor log cabin and sending them out to the woods to shoot a rabbit for dinner. Most likely, you want a modern home with actual modern conveniences like a refrigerator, running water, and electricity. The United Nations even says that 'an adequate standard of housing is a fundamental human right.' But who cares what the United Nations says? It says a lot of things and never does anything about it. You can appeal to the UN for help getting 'adequate' housing, but you'll never hear back from them. Buying a home has become a nightmare for some people – especially those just starting out in life – when they realize they will have to save up \$200,000 for a down payment. It has been reported that many younger people have come to the realization that owning a home of their own will never be possible. There is a lot of talk these days about the need for 'affordable housing', but no one seems to explain what that means. Affordable

to who? Rich people? Poor people? Middle income people? Affordable is a relative term, and it's over used to the point it has become just another buzz word. A 10,000 square foot mansion is affordable to some people. For others, a 1,200 square foot bungalow is not affordable. For those lucky enough to purchase a brand new home in one of hundreds or thousands of new subdivisions going up around the province, turning the key in the front door just might be opening a new nightmare chapter in their lives. Traditional thinking says you should spend around 30 per cent of your income on housing. That figure is backed by the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation. It makes sense – you should spend around that much on housing and have enough left over to maintain a car to get to work, put food on the table, clothes on your back, buy your kid a bicycle, and maybe take an annual trip to Fort Lauderdale to see the return of swallows to Capistrano, or visit your relatives in Saskatoon for some whale watching.

The average Canadian now spends around 45 per cent of their income to meet housing costs. In the GTA that average is over 72 per cent, in Vancouver, it's over 79 per cent. It's hard to pay for a movie or take you wife out for an anniversary dinner when your bank balance is zero after your last mortgage payment. I was speaking to a realtor in a typical Ontario town, who said neither her children, or the children of her friends, can afford to buy a house in their own home town. It is a disappointment for the both the parents who want to live near their kids, and a total let-down for the kids who want to remain in the town they grew up in. That particular town has seen a lot of development in recent years, and they are all high end homes. I spoke to a developer in that same town, who told me the plan is to keep building high end homes, so 'regular' people won't be able to afford to live there. They want to create an 'exclusive' community. I guess the mayor there, who I was told is in agreement with this plan, didn't get the memo about affordable housing.

Developers all have a public relations person or department to put out the good word about their new development. Yes, live in our new subdivision, and you'll spend all your time walking on the trails, gazing out over the pond, riding your bike, and walking along tree lined streets with your very attractive wife, and equally attractive 2.5 children. I've seen too many of those posters. The new development that went up near where I live started out with reasonably priced new homes, for the time, however, once they started selling, the price went up \$250,000 'due to costs.' And yet, a quick check on the cost of building materials showed that building costs went up, no where near, the cost of those homes. In fact softwood lumber went down, at the same time. The banks and lending institutions are loving this housing boom. The more you borrow, the more they make. And the banks will never be the guys coming out on the bad side of any loan. So, affordable housing? Affordable for who?

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# Censorship bill's impact

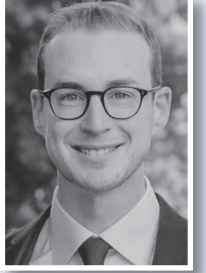
Prime Minister Justin Trudeau is taking Canada on a headfirst dive toward government censorship, with the Senate the only obstacle standing between Canadians and the vast ocean of government control. As Trudeau's censorship law makes its way to the Senate, the stakes are high. Calling Bill C-11 a censorship bill is not hyperbole. "Bill C-11 would give the CRTC the power to set conditions demoting or applying warning labels to content it considers contrary to Broadcasting Act objectives, which are so broad as to cover a wide range of lawful content," wrote Dr. Michael Geist, of the University of Ottawa, who has warned that Bill C-11 would see government bureaucrats "force-feed" Canadian content. Bill C-11 would hand the CRTC, a government agency, the power to control what Canadians read and watch online by filtering our news and streaming feeds on apps like Netflix and TikTok. For now, the government says bureaucrats would only use their new censorship powers to promote Canadian content, thereby burying non-Canadian

content. But Bill C-11 gives the government the tools to filter online content on any basis, not just whether something counts as "Canadian." The Trudeau government is asking us to trust that bureaucrats won't use the full power handed to them. At least for now. That's like asking us to trust a gambling addict at a casino. Bill C-11 might seem abstract, but Canadians need to pay attention. There are a few ways that this legislation, if signed into law, could impact Canadians almost immediately. Do you like to watch shows or films on Netflix on date night? It turns out Bill C-11 will make some Canadian content harder, not easier, to find because the CRTC uses a very outdated means of deciding what counts as Canadian. Rather than focusing on content, the CRTC focuses on things like the production process. Because of the outdated rules, Bill C-11 would make it harder for viewers to watch content that should be considered Canadian but isn't, such as the series based on Canadian author Margaret Atwood's Handmaid's Tale. Under

the same outdated rules, non-Canadian content could become easier to see. A biopic of former U.S. President Donald Trump, called "Gotta Love Trump," is currently considered Canadian. Do you like to watch content streamed from other parts of the world? Bill C-11 could very well impact your ability to watch your favourite show from India or South Korea because Bill C-11 would force foreign content providers to follow all kinds of new rules and regulations in order to enter the Canadian market. Some providers may just block the Canadian market altogether instead of following cumbersome rules. Hulu, for example, has already blocked the Canadian market. That's why you haven't been able to keep up with the Kardashians lately. Are you a small-time Canadian content creator? Do you have a YouTube channel that has original Canadian content? Bill C-11 could hurt your ability to attract viewers from outside Canada. The CRTC would force YouTube to promote your channel to people who aren't even interested in your particular content simply because it counts

as "Canadian." This could lead to lower click rates, which YouTube would take as a sign that the content isn't a winner with viewers. YouTube would then deprioritize your content in markets outside of Canada. "Creators are going to wake up and find the kind of content that has previously been successful in an unregulated YouTube is no longer successful in a regulated YouTube," warned famed Canadian YouTuber J.J. McCullough. Canadian creators could be in for a world of hurt. The bottom line is that Bill C-11 is terrible news for Canadians, creators and consumers alike. If you don't want the government messing with your streaming feeds, your ability to watch content from abroad or promote your Canadian content outside Canada, you have a stake in this fight. It's time to tell Trudeau to scrap his online censorship bill. Jay Goldberg is the Ontario & Interim Atlantic Director for the Canadian Taxpayers Federation.

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**CANVASSING FOR WITNESSES:** A recent house fire at a house in Amaranth on 7th Line, south of Sideroad 20 has been deemed suspicious by police. Dufferin OPP are seeking the public assistance in finding out what happened. Anyone who may have video footage or any information that may assist in the investigation is asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or through Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-822-8477 (TIPS) and www.ontariocrimestoppers.ca.

## Police seeking public's help for suspicious Amaranth house fire

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Investigators are asking for the public's help following a fire at an Amaranth home last week that has been deemed suspicious.

Dufferin OPP along with firefighters from the Grand Valley and Shelburne fire departments responded to house fire, located at 7th Line South of Sideroad 20, on Oct. 12 around 5:30 p.m.

No injuries were reported.

Dufferin OPP said the fire had been deemed suspicious by Grand Valley Fire Chief, Justin Foreman.

"It was at an abandoned house, nobody resided at the house. There was no power or gas to the residence," Foreman told the Free Press. "There is no reason for the house to have a fire in it when there is no

ignition source there, so it was deemed suspicious by myself."

Investigators are canvassing and looking to speak with any witnesses who may have seen what happened.

Anyone who may have video footage or any information that may assist in the investigation is asked to contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or through Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-822-8477 (TIPS) and www.ontariocrimestoppers.ca.



## Dufferin OPP hosting open house for the public to attend

The Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police is hosting a community open house at the Primrose detachment located at 506312 Highway 89 in the Town of Mono, on Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Dufferin OPP is welcoming the public to drop by and experience some of the many specialized services available through the organization that help fight crime and keep the community safe.

Some of the features of this event include:

- Canine Unit
- Emergency Response Team - with drone demonstration
- Urban Search and Rescue Chemical, Biological, Radiological, nuclear Explosives Team - with robot demonstration
- Mobile Crisis Response Team
- Speak to officers about career and volunteer opportunities within the OPP
- Check out police vehicles on display, watch radar/laser demonstration
- Photo opportunities on OPP ATV's and Snowmobiles
- Light refreshments

Attendees will be treated to numerous booths with information about the vast array of OPP specialty units, volunteering and recruiting opportunities.

"Please join us, this is a great opportunity to view the specialized equipment that is used to maintain public safety. We are always looking for ways to connect with our community and look forward to meeting you," said the Dufferin OPP in a press release.

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21. Tavern fare
22. Absorbed
24. Droll
26. Time line, in a way
28. Fitness place
31. Discuss
35. Music drama
37. Resin
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83. Certain primate
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86. Future chicks
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# Local firefighters receive honours for their years of services

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Four Shelburne firefighters have been recognized for their years of service with the local fire department.

Members of Shelburne's fire department along with their family and friends gathered at the Shelburne Agricultural Centre last Thursday (Oct. 13) for Firefighter Appreciation Night, where they were honoured for their 20 and 25 years of service.

"It's a pretty big honour to present these awards because it represents a total 90 years of firefighting experience that I can rely on when we get called out; it's really good to have that in a department," said Fire Chief, Ralph Snyder. "Our firefighters have a great working relationship within the hall. They rely on each other and are always looking out for each other, it's fantastic. I think that's why some of them stay that long and why we have such a stable fire department."

Captain Steve Monds and firefighter Rob Sellar, who both joined the local department in 2001, were recognized for 20 years of service. They were both presented with a 20-year federal medal and citation from the Governor General of Canada.

"To serve my community and to be part of this community, it's been amazing. Twenty



PAULA BROWN PHOTO

**RECOGNIZING THEIR SERVICE:** Four firefighters from the Shelburne and District Fire Department were recognized for their years of service on the local department last Thursday (Oct. 13) at the Agricultural Centre. Captain Steve Monds and firefighter Rob Sellar were honoured for their 20 years of service while Captains Os Fleming and Mike Morrell were honoured for the 25 years.

years, I never thought I'd get here and having recently been promoted to captain, I'm looking for more," said Monds. "To be with the department is just phenomenal."

Sellar also noted his passion for his firefighting role.

"It's dedication, I love helping people. The community has helped me out and I like to help them out, and together we make a pretty good town," he said. "There's not one person in this building I wouldn't go into a burning house with."

Captain Os Fleming, who was with the Shelburne and District Fire Department from 1987 to 1990 and rejoined in 2001, was honoured for his 25 years of service with the department. He was presented with a 25-year provincial medal and citation from the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

"I'm [the] fourth generation in town so this means a lot to me. It's the longest thing I've ever done next to having my child," said Fleming. "I've seen a lot of change over the years, but it still means something when you walk into somebody's house and they're happy to see you."

Captain Mike Morrell, who has been with the department since 1997 and is the longest-serving active member of the Shelburne and District Fire Department was also honoured for his 25 years of service. He was presented with a 25-year medal and citation from the Ministry of the Solicitor General.

"It shows the time commitment and effort from myself. The length of time doesn't mean I know more, a lot of these guys coming up now know more than I did," said Morrell. "It's great to get the recognition, but it's also great to see how far the department has come."

The Shelburne and District Fire Department has three other active responders with over 20 years of service.

# Fall Art Fair featuring 2D art coming to Museum of Dufferin

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Art enthusiasts will be able to browse and even purchase works from artists through an upcoming Fall Art Fair hosted by the Museum of Dufferin (MoD).

The MoD Fall Art Fair will feature the work of 20 two-dimensional artists from across Ontario including a few from Dufferin County, representing Mono and Orangeville. Each artist will be set up in the Main Gallery of the museum with prints, giclees, art cards and original artwork for sale.

The event will be held on Oct. 21 and Oct. 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Museum of Dufferin, located at 936029 Airport Rd. in Mulmur.

"The talent that will be represented in the Main Gallery is outstanding. We have artists who specialize in the palette knife technique – their works capture the texture and beautiful imperfections of moun-



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tain-scapes and natural vistas. We also have artists who combine textiles and watercolour, making for a unique blend," said Sarah Robinson, curator for the Museum of Dufferin. "If you're looking to add a special piece to your own personal collection, decorate your house or just want to be inspired there will be hundreds

of works for sale."

Guelph-based artist Lottie Aldarwish will be one of the artists showcasing her work, a collection of brightly coloured landscapes, at the MoD Fall Art Fair.

"My work is inspired by the simple beauty of folk art I've experienced during travels to different areas of the world and

patterns found in nature," said Aldarwish. "Through paintings and illustrations, I focus on creating landscapes, seascapes and florals with enchanting colour combinations and interesting shadows. Growing up in the Netherlands close to the eternally cold North Sea caused a deep fondness for painting water scenes."

Jo Thomson, a local artist based out of Mono, will be showcasing a variety of her collection, including framed pieces, original prints, and art cards. As a photoartist, Thomson creates original prints using photographic processes.

"I'm very much inspired by nature and I use a lot of local foraged botanicals in my work," said Thomson. "This is a really nice opportunity to talk to people about my work and meet other artists from different disciplines."

Admissions for the Museum of Dufferin Fall Art Fair will be by donation.

For more information on the event visit [www.dufferinmuseum.com](http://www.dufferinmuseum.com).



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1. Attracting New Commercial /Industrial Development
2. Providing More Recreational Services To Enhance Our Quality of Life
3. Creating A Vibrant Successful Downtown & Focusing on Our Heritage
4. Making "Growth Pay for Growth:" Council voted to increase Development Charges significantly to ensure that all the major costs for Water & Waste Water Upgrades were covered. This means that future development costs will never be paid by homeowners! This was one of my biggest priorities in the 2018 election.
5. Developing A New Strategic Plan: Setting Priorities & Long Term Goals to Follow In Order to Achieve A Solid Financial Foundation for the Future

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**Public Works  
UPDATE**

**CONSTRUCTION**

Notice of Construction - Franklyn and Victoria Streets the Town of Shelburne would like to inform all residents and property owners that sewer and road construction works will be starting on Monday, October 17, 2022, weather permitting and is expected to take approximately 3 weeks to complete. To safely conduct the work, there will be a partial road closure of Franklyn Street and lane closures on Victoria Street. Residents will need to use Meadow Gate and Simon Street to access or leave the community. The contractor will also install traffic signages to delineate the construction area. While work is ongoing, residents may experience traffic congestion and some delays when accessing their driveway. Please ensure to take extra caution when construction vehicles and workers are present. Traffic control personnel and signages will on site and should be followed. We will make every effort to keep this disruption to a minimum. We apologize for any inconveniences, and we appreciate your cooperation during these construction activities. For more information please read <https://www.shelburne.ca/en/news/notice-of-construction-franklyn-and-victoria-street.aspx>

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The voting period is from Tuesday, October 11 to Monday, October 24.

Please visit <https://www.shelburne.ca/en/town-hall/elections.aspx> to learn more

**2022 LOOSE LEAF  
COLLECTION**

Residents can take advantage of all the available leaf collection and disposal options during the Fall Season: Curbside Collection, Public Works Drop Off Days, Dufferin County Yard Waste Program, Mulching, Composting and Leaving the leaves.

**Curbside Collection**

Curbside collection is provided only to residents in older neighbourhoods on streets with mature boulevard trees (trees on the road allowance – near the roadway). Residents are required to use Dufferin County's Yard Waste Program for small amounts of leaves and for leaves generated on Private Property. 2022 Collection period starts October 24, 2022 and ends November 18, 2022. Collection schedule will vary by Zone. Check your date before you rake! Be sure to have your loose leaves out for 7:00 A.M. of the date listed on your Zone.

**Schedule:** October 24 – November 18, 2022

**Zone 1** (North of Main Street, West of Owen Sound St.): Thursdays – October 27, November 03, November 10, November 17, 2022

**Zone 2** (North of Main Street, East of Owen Sound St.): Tuesdays – October 25, November 01, November 08, November 15, 2022

**Zone 3** (South of Main St.): Tuesdays – October 25, November 01, November 08, November 15, 2022

All dates are weather dependent.

**Guidelines:**

- Do not place, push or pile any leaves on the roadway or over catchbasins. This is a safety hazard. Leaves should be placed on the boulevard a day or two before the start of your collection week. This will keep leaves from blowing around your neighbourhood.
- Please make sure leaves do not contain branches or other debris. Leaves mixed with other waste will not be collected.
- Please remove all obstructions, i.e., parked vehicles, sports equipment, basketball nets, etc., for easy access to your leaf piles.
- Leaves placed on the boulevard after collection date will not be picked up if staff have already completed your street.
- The same trucks that collect leaves are the same trucks that clear the snow throughout Town. If there is snow or freezing weather conditions the dates could be delayed and/or the program will end.
- Town staff will only collect the leaves that have fallen at the time of your scheduled collection dates, all other leaves will be the resident's responsibility.

**Public Works Drop Off Days**

Bring your loose leaves (bulk or bagged) to the Shelburne Transfer Yard at 601 Victoria Street between 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM on the following dates for free disposal:

- Saturday October 22, 2022
- Friday October 28, 2022
- Saturday November 12, 2022
- Friday November 18, 2022

Bringing your loose leaves to one or more of our events will ensure the leaves do not blow back onto your property.

**Dufferin County Bi-weekly Yard Waste Program**

Dufferin County Yard Waste Program is carried out bi-weekly until the week of November 21, 2022. For a full schedule please see the Dufferin County Waste Guide or visit: <https://dufferincounty.ca/waste-services/yard-waste>. Collection starts on Monday at 7:00 A.M. and continues throughout the week until the area is completed. Please note that your yard waste collection may not be the same day as your regular collection day.

**Mulching, Composting or Leaving Your Leaves**

These are the most economical and environmentally beneficial method to get rid of loose leaves. It also relieves you from the frustration of finding time for yard work to match collection schedules, either due to tree leaves not dropping or missing the pickup window. Collected leaves can be slowly added to your home compost. They break down into useful organic material that can be added to home gardening projects. Leaves, although bulky when first raked, will compost well over winter. Make sure the leaves are moist. It also helps to mix in some fruit and vegetable scraps. Try mulching leaves with a lawn mower or other device to reduce the volume of the leaf pile for home storage or composting. Also simply mowing your leaves, in a dry condition, on your lawn adds organic material directly to your lawn.

**Missed Curbside Collection?**

Any remaining leaves or if you have missed the Town's pick-up—leaves should be:

- brought to the Shelburne Transfer Yard on the Drop Off Days.
- bagged for Dufferin County's Yard Waste bi-weekly pick-up.
- brought to Dufferin Transfer & Recycling located at 473051 Dufferin County Road 11, Orangeville, ON L9W 5L7.
- mulched, compost, or left in gardens, flower beds or in your yard.

Questions? Contact 519-925-2600 ext. 261 or email [jkaske@shelburne.ca](mailto:jkaske@shelburne.ca)

**PUBLIC WORKS  
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**Friday November 18**

# SHELBURNE SPORTS

## Royals' girls basketball team take a loss after good comeback effort

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Centre Dufferin District High School Royals' girls varsity team played a solid game against the Erin District High School Raiders on Wednesday, Oct. 12, but a slow start put them behind at the end of the first quarter and they couldn't close the gap despite a comeback performance in the third and fourth quarters.

"I would say it was a slow start but by the second half we brought out the energy and it went better," said Royals point guard, Alexis Bosiljevac.

The Raiders were leading 13-7 early in the second quarter, but neither team was having much success hitting the hoops for points.

The half ended with a 14-9 lead for the Erin team.

"The second half we did a lot better, especially on defence," said Royals' Lexus Burt. "We were bringing the energy back up. We had a lot more effort in the third and fourth quarter."

The Royals turned it up a notch in the third quarter and started sinking baskets.

They closed the score to 34-30 and were on the path to tying the game, but the Erin team fought back and got some points of their own to again move ahead.

"We had a little bit of a slow start, but then we really went on the defence and getting

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BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

**DRIBBLING DOWN THE COURT:** Centre Dufferin District Royals (CDDHS) point guard, Lexus Burt, takes the ball into the Erin District High School Raiders zone during the third quarter of their Wednesday, Oct. 12 game on the court at CDDHS. The Royals played a good second half but had to give up a 43-33 loss to the Raiders.

## Alliston knocks Schomberg out of first place in Junior C Carruthers Division

Written By Brian Lockhart

The Alliston Hornets have taken over first place in the Carruthers Division of the Provincial Junior Hockey League after two wins this past week gave them four points.

The Schomberg Cougars were leading until Thursday night when they gave up a 5-2 loss to Alliston on the Cougars' home ice.

Alliston came to that game with 11 points. They knocked the Cougars down a notch and took over the top spot. They earned two more points the following night when they met the Midland Flyers on home

ice and left with an 8-2 win.

After the weekend, the Hornets have a 7-1-1 record, including two overtime losses.

While the Cougars have dropped to third place in the standings, the Stayner Siskins have been moving up and are now in the number two spot - three points behind Alliston.

The Siskins are having a good season and are undefeated. However, the Siskins have played only six games compared to nine by the Hornets and eight by the Cougars.

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BRIAN LOCKHART PHOTO

**ON THE MOVE:** The Centre Dufferin District High School (CDDHS) Royals senior soccer team host the Erin District High School Raiders on the pitch at CDDHS on Wednesday, Oct. 12. The Royals took a 2-0 loss and are now 2-3-1 for the season.

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# ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

## TÉA BOSILJEVAC

As a first year player, CDDHS Royals basketball point guard, Téa Bosiljevac, has shown considerable skill on the court. She has become a valuable member of the Royals girl's varsity team, hitting a three pointer with ease during a recent game.

"I love sports, being active, and teamwork," Téa said of why she likes playing basketball.

Téa is also a dancer and a snowboarder which helps her with her athletic ability on the court.

Téa said she plans to continue with basketball through her high school career.

**TEAM: CENTRE DUFFERIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL ROYALS VARSITY BASKETBALL**

**POSITION: POINT GUARD**



# Haunt in the Park returning for three nights of Halloween fun

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Shelburne residents should get ready to be scared by the creatures that go bump in the night this Halloween as the annual Haunt in the Park event makes another return to the community with some new horrors.

Haunt in the Park will consist of three nights of activities scheduled for Oct. 28, 29 and 31 at Fiddle Park.

"We're thrilled to be able to bring The Haunt back in full force this year. We are completely reimagining it with a new layout, new areas, and new frights and scares," said Carola Little, who's putting on the event. "We are very much looking forward to the enthusiasm of the community, and hoping we can give them an even better series of events."

A Halloween fixture in the community for almost three decades, the Haunt in the Park event originally began in 1993 with Bob and Sue Little and their three then-teenage children set up a haunted house on the porch of their First Avenue home. Over the years the event grew, moving to different locations

and eventually to Fiddle Park.

Each year, the family looks to build on the event with the goal of making Shelburne a destination for everything Halloween-related.

"Shelburne has really embraced the Halloween spirit," said Little.

In preparation for celebrating the Haunt in the Park's 30th anniversary, which will occur next year, the family has revamped the event bringing in elements of attendees choosing their own fright.

"We wanted to expand areas and introduce a new one that will bring a new kind of fright. Sometimes it'll be less about reaction as it will be about decision making," said Little. "Likely every person that goes through will have a different experience based on the decision they make while in the Haunt."

The Haunt in the Park has once again teamed up with local BIA, who run Treats in the Streets, and the CDRC, who run a drive-thru trick or treat, to bring a full-fledged experience of Halloween. A complimentary shuttle bus will be running connecting all three events together.

"We've seen unprecedented support

from local business and that's what's allowed us to totally revamp the haunt, to bring it back bigger and better than ever," said Little.

The Halloween activities will begin on Oct. 28 with a Character Walk at 6 p.m. from the arena to Fiddle Park, where an official ribbon cutting will kick off the scares.

"The community is welcome to join us on the walk and costumes are encouraged," said Little.

For little kids and the faint of heart, a Mini-Boo event is being held on Saturday (Oct. 29) from noon to 4 p.m. Characters will be

on good behaviour and without masks.

The Haunt in the Park and all the screams and terrors that come with it will be in full force starting Friday (Oct. 28) from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday (Oct. 29) and Monday (Oct. 31) from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Admissions to all the events are free, with donations for the local food bank accepted. Attendees will be required to sign a waiver before entering The Haunt.

Last year, the Haunt in the Park raised \$1,700 in cash donations and almost 2,500 pounds of food for Shepherd's Cupboard Food Bank.

## Fiddle legend and his multi-talented band brining Old Fashion Hoedown to Shelburne

Written By Paula Brown  
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

Fiddle legend, Scott Woods is heading back out on the road and is set to bring his toe-tapping old-time fiddle music show to the Shelburne community.

Woods and his multi-talented band will be hitting the stage at Grace Tipling Hall for two shows (2 p.m. and 7 p.m.) on Oct. 29, with a brand-new show - 'An Old Fashioned Hoedown'.

Known as "The Fergus Fiddler" and "The Flippin' Fiddler", Woods is a two-time winner of the Canadian Open Fiddle Contest, two-time winner of the Canadian Grand Masters Fiddle Championship, and Fiddle Entertainer of the Year. In 2018 he was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Association.

The performance in Shelburne will mark the first show in the 'An Old Fashioned Hoedown' tour. Starting the tour in Shelburne is of personal significance for Woods, whose great-grandfather was an original top three finalist in the Olde Time Fiddle Contest. His father also competed in the local fiddle contest, and Woods himself began competing in the contest in 1979 through to 2004.

"Shelburne is like a second home to me, and it has a lot of roots with our background. When we drive into Shelburne, I still get a little tingle in my stomach, almost like butterflies, like I used to when I was competing," said Woods. "It's kind of fitting that we're doing the premiere of our brand-new show and starting a new tour basically in our home of Shelburne."

Joining Woods on stage will be his sister Kendra Norris, a talented singer and multi-instrumentalist, who is also a Canadian Fiddle Champion and a three-time Duet Fiddle Champion with her brother.

The show will also feature young step dancer Leo Stock, fondly known as 'Spaghetti Legs', an 18-year-old singer, drummer and Canadian Step Dancing Champion. Most recently, Stock won the 2022 Open Step Dancing Championship at the prestigious 'Ontario Open Fiddle and Step Dance Contest' as well as the Canadian Open Championship in Shelburne.

"There's fiddling throughout the show, but we change up the style. There's step dancing, singing, lots of costumes, and antics," said



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**FIDDLERS:** Scott Woods and his multi-talented band are playing at Grace Tipling Hall on Oct. 29. Tickets are available at the Town of Shelburne reception desk and online at [scottwoods.ca](http://scottwoods.ca)

Woods. "You really don't have to be a fiddle fan, or a country music fan by any means to enjoy our show. It's really built as a family variety show - entertainment for grandparents, grandkids, and everyone in between."

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# Alliston knocks Schomberg out of first place in Junior C Carruthers Division

The Hornets will meet the Siskins this week when Alliston travels to Stayer on Oct. 20.

Both teams will be bringing their best game to the ice in a bid to prove league dominance.

The Innisfil Spartans are in fourth place in the division with a 5-4 record and ten points. They are followed by the Orillia Terriers with eight points.

In the number six spot, the Huntsville Otters have a 4-4 record. The Penetang Kings are in seventh place with a 2-3-1 record.

At the bottom, the Caledon Golden Hawks and the Midland Flyers are both winless after eight games this season.

There is still a lot of hockey left this season, so it's still too early to figure out how things will finally shake out at the end of the season.



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**NUMBER ONE TEAM:** The Alliston Hornets host the Midland Flyers on the ice at the New Tecumseth Recreation Centre on Friday, Oct. 14. The Hornets left the ice with an 8-2 win and have moved into first place in the North Carruthers division of the PJHL.

# Royals' girls basketball team take a loss after good comeback effort

rebounds," summed up Royals' Téa Bosiljevac. "Before the second half, our coach gave us a speech and we knew we had to pick it up, and we did."

Lexus, Alexis, and Téa, all managed to hit 3-point hoops in the second half.

At the final buzzer, the Royals had to take a 43-33 loss in their sixth game of the season.

The Royals are now 3-3 for the season. They will be back on their home court at CDDHS on Monday, Oct. 24 to host Norwell District Secondary School.

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