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It's a good time to rest, recharge and reflect on how truly blessed we are in King

We've just come through the recent municipal election and I'm humbled and grateful to be acclaimed for the third consecutive term of Council. We will have many familiar faces around the Council table, along with a couple of new ones.

Councillors Jordan Cescolini (Ward 1), David Boyd (Ward 2), Debbie Schaefer (Ward 5) and Avia Eek (Ward 6) are all returning while Jennifer Anstey (Ward 3) and Mary Asselstine (Ward 4) will join us.

I am confident the Council of 2022 to 2026 will work together to overcome challenges and collaborate on opportunities to continue to make King a highly desirable place to be.

On the topic of working together, there are four top initiatives that must be completed in our next term. With King's team approach, and the assistance of Council and staff, I am confident of our success.

These initiatives include:

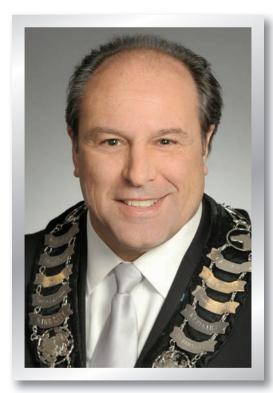
Township-Wide Recreation Centre

We broke ground on the Township-Wide Recreation Centre in 2022. Construction on this project is underway, with an opening date set for 2024.

The Centre will be a state-of-the-art, carbon-neutral, fully accessible recreation complex. We are thankful for the partnership with our federal and provincial government partners, and Seneca.

Investments in King's Infrastructure and Paving and Broadband Strategies

King continues to make capital improvements to our infrastructure. This includes parks



and trail redevelopment, drainage improvements, watermain and sewer upgrades, stormwater works, and bridge and culvert rehabilitation.

In King, we are committed to continuing to work with the private sector to ensure our residents and businesses have the Internet access they need for the work and personal usage. Since 2019, there has been a 47-per-cent increase in homes with access to newly available broadband.

The paving of local roads in King is a priority. From 2019 to 2021, more than 36 kilometres

of roads went from gravel surface to paved surface, and another 58 kilometres were upgraded with asphalt improvements and surface treatments, and nine more kilometres of road were improved in 2022.

Continued Financial Responsibility

I am proud of our financial record in King. Council approved a 0.75-per-cent increase in the Township's portion of the 2022 budget, maintaining a tax increase of close to zero per cent for the Township portion of the annual property tax.

The average increase for the Township portion of municipal tax is now 1.11 per cent for the period between 2018 and 2022, positioning King as having the lowest tax increases in the GTA.

To ensure the Township's ongoing financial health, the annual budget contributes to the Township's reserve funds. The contribution for 2022 is \$7.4 million.

Advocacy for a Hospital in King

This month, King Council passed a resolution to formally request that that the Province of Ontario fast-track approval for the new Southlake Regional Health Centre in King. We look forward to working with Southlake and the Province to plan for the ongoing health needs of King and nearby communities.

As 2022 draws to a close, I wish you and your family a safe, peaceful and prosperous New Year. Please continue to stay safe, volunteer and

shop locally as much as you can. *Sincerely,*

Mayor Steve Pellegrini



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UPCOMING MEETINGS

COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Monday, January 9 6 p.m. - Council and Committee of the Whole Virtual meeting live streamed at king.ca/meetings

Monday, January 23 6 p.m. - Council and Committee of the Whole

Virtual meeting live streamed at king.ca/meetings

To view full Council and Committee of the Whole agendas, visit king.civicweb.net

BID NOTICES

For all bid opportunities, please visit https://king.bidsandtenders.ca/Module/Tenders/en

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Please visit the Township website at www.king.ca for employment opportunities. All applications must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on the day they close.

REMINDERS



Parking Restrictions

Please be advised there is no vehicle parking on any roadway between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., from November 1 to April 15 of each year to allow for the expedient clearing of snow and the safe passage of emergency vehicles.

To learn more about parking in King such as how to pay or dispute a parking ticket, you can visit our parking enforcement page at www.king.ca or

PUBLIC NOTICES



NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS **2023 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS AND 2023 FEES AND CHARGES**

The 2023 Operating and Capital Budget Book will be available at www.king.ca/budget as of Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

In-person Open House Tuesday, January 17, 2023 - 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Council Chambers, 2585 King Road

Draft - 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets

The Township of King's Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets will be available for review in-person at the January 17, 2023 Open House. Have your chance to review the budget, have your say, and ask questions of Township staff.

> Virtual Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting Monday, January 23, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. Draft - 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets

(Consideration of Budget By-law for Adoption, Monday, February 6, 2023) The Township of King's Draft 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets will be tabled for consideration at the January 23, 2023, Committee of the Whole Meeting and will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, February 6, 2023, Council Meeting.

Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

Virtual Council and Committee of the Whole Meeting Monday, February 6, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets and 2023 Fees & Charges (Consideration of Budget By-law for Adoption, Monday, February 6, 2023)

The Township of King's 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets and 2023 Fees & Charges will be tabled for consideration and adoption at the February 6, 2023, Committee of the Whole and Council Meetings. The Budget staff report will be available for review on the Township website at www.king. ca as of Thursday, February 2, 2023.

Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

(Note: Budget adoption may be deferred to the February 27, 2023, Council meeting at the discretion of Council if required)

Please visit www.king.ca/budget or contact Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance and Treasurer by email at ptollett@king.ca for further information regarding the 2023 Operating and Capital Budgets.

HAVE YOUR SAY

To VIEW the above COUNCIL and COMMITTEE meetings live virtually go to https://king.ca/meetings on the day of the meeting. NO pre-registration is required to view the meeting. To participate and speak at the meetings remotely (by audio-telephone), pre-register by contacting the Clerks Division at 905-833-4068 or email clerks@king.ca no later than 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the day of the meeting.

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NOTICE OF UPCOMING BUDGET MEETINGS 2023 WATER AND WASTEWATER **RATES BY-LAW**

Virtual Presentation of 2023 Water & Wastewater Rates Monday, January 9, 2023 - 6:00 p.m. (Consideration of By-law for Adoption, Monday, January 9, 2023)

The Township of King 2023 Water and Wastewater Rates Report will be presented at the January 9, 2023, Committee of the Whole Meeting. The By-law will be considered by Council for adoption at the Monday, January 9, 2023, Council Meeting. The 2023 Water & Wastewater Rates information will be available for review on the Township website at www.king.ca as of Thursday, January 5, 2023.

Interested parties are invited to participate virtually to ask questions and comment.

For further information regarding the 2023 Water and Wastewater Rates Report, please visit the Township's website at www.king.ca or contact: Peggy Tollett, Director of Finance and Treasurer, ptollett@king.ca.

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Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan hosted the Premier and Minister of Transportation at the King Chamber of Commerce Breakfast, promoting King's dynamic small business community and Ontario's plan to support growth in local and rural economies.



Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan with Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Angelo Santorelli of the King Chamber of Commerce, past Councillor Jakob Schneider announced additional funding to expand high-speed internet across King. This investment alone will ensure 400 additional homes are connected to broadband — advancing Ontario's commitment to extend internet to every home and business.



Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan hosted a Agricultural Roundtable with the Minister of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs, at George Sant & Sons Greenhouses with farmers across King-Vaughan, consulting them on policies to grow export markets, support sustainable farming, and improve competitiveness of Canadian farming.



Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan celebrated 100 years of Fire Prevention Week with King Fire. MPP Lecce thanked front-line first responders for their sacrifice and commitment to safety.



Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan with York Regional Police being shown the new resources and equipment that the Ontario government provided funding to help fight crime, with a focus on preventing auto theft. MPP Lecce continues to advocate for increased police presence in the community to prevent crime and to hold offenders to account.



Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan with former Mayor Maurizo Bevilacqua and Altaf Stationwala, CEO of Mackenzie Health, celebrating Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital one anniversary of the hospital. The Premier and MPP Lecce opened the first net new hospital in over 30 years -- delivering a modern hospital with specialized services benefiting our growing community. MPP Lecce also recently announced funding for MRI machines, to reduce backlogs.



Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan and Township of King Mayor Steve Pellegrini break ground on the new Township-Wide Recreation Centre which will be built at the southeast corner of Seneca's King Campus. MPP Lecce delivered the single largest investment in Ontario history to build this state-of-the-art center that will include pool, skating rinks, fitness and recreation space.

STEPHEN LECCE MPP FOR KING-VAUGHAN

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A message from the King Chamber of Commerce

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his year we have seen many positive changes in our local businesses despite the continued challenges in our economy. Many of us have had to change the way we do

business in the face of labour shortages, high costs of transportation, supply chain issues and the increasing rates everywhere. We have moved forward and continued to provide goods and services to our residents and customers. At the King Chamber of Commerce, we have worked tirelessly to support and advocate for our chamber members. We have put on networking events to help businesses connect, advertise and grow. We have celebrated new business openings at ribbon cutting events, and recognized success at our Annual Excellence in Business Awards. We held All Candidates meetings for both the Municipal and Provincial elections, with a focus on how our government plans to support business owners and the local economy. We have grown our membership base, and our Board of Directors, in order to better support and advocate

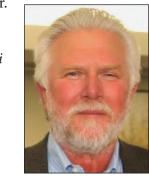
for our business community.

We are endeavouring to be more visible in the community, strengthening our partnership with the Township of King and The Kingbridge Centre, to promote local incentives and provide more opportunities to our Members.

We would like to thank all of our members and sponsors for their support and participation in events this past year. We encourage all residents to enjoy the many wonderful events that take place throughout our Township and to #ShopKING.

On behalf of myself and the King Chamber Board of Directors, we wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely, Angelo Santorelli President, King Chamber of Commerce









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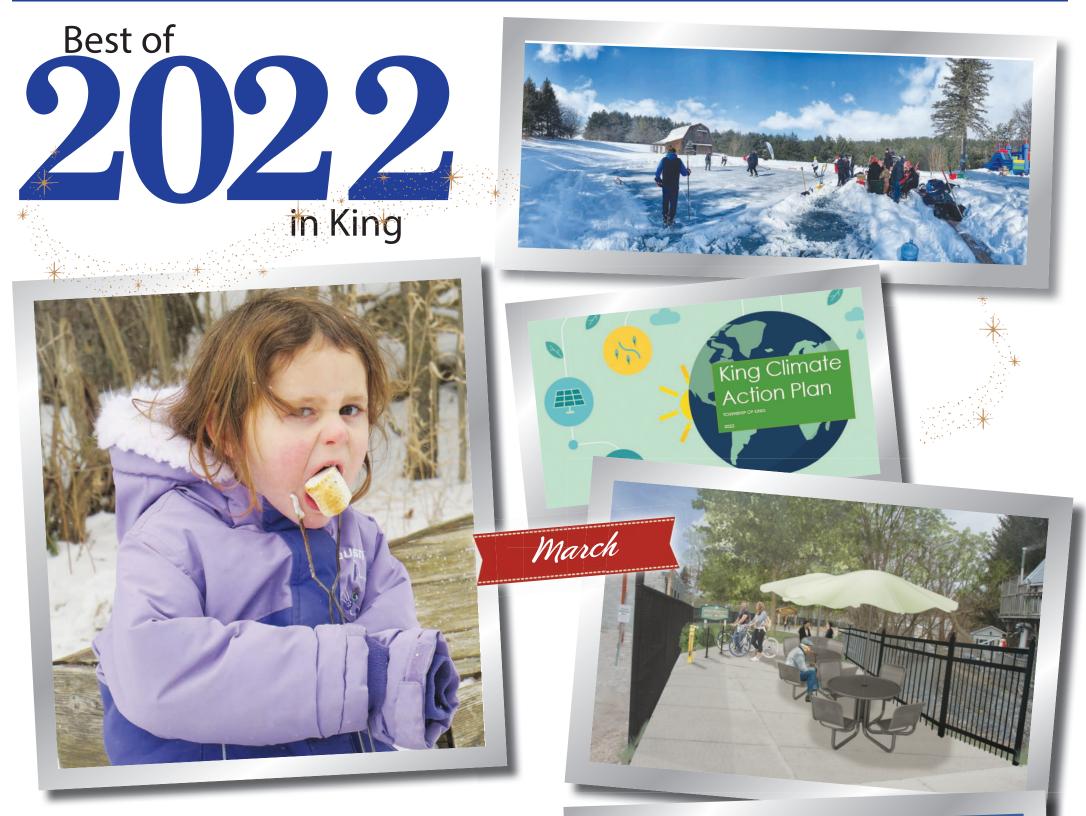


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Ontario's top baby names

he top baby names in Ontario in 2021 were Olivia and Noah.

Noah. Olivia has been the most popular name for girls for

over a decade, with 12 consecutive years in the number one spot. While Emma continues to be a very popular name, it is also this year's second-most popular name for girls.

When it comes to names for boys, Noah is in the top spot for the third year in a row, with Liam following closely behind as the second-most popular, once again. This year we also welcome Ella to the top 10 list for girls.

ever for parents in Ontario to register their newborns through our 5-in-1 Newborn Bundle online service," said Kaleed Rasheed, Minister of Public and Business Service Delivery. "With just a single online session, parents can apply for critical documents like their child's birth certificate and Social Insurance Number, right from the comfort of their home, allowing them to spend more time with their newborn."

ServiceOntario's 5-in-1 Newborn Bundle makes it easy to register a birth. It also allows parents to quickly apply for their child's birth certificate, Social Insurance Number, Canada Child Benefits (including the Ontario Child Benefit), and Education Savings Referral service all through one application.



The top 10 names for girls and boys, respectively, in 2021 were:

For girls – Olivia, Emma, Charlotte, Amelia, Ava, Sophia, Isla, Evelyn, Mia, Ella; for boys – Noah, Liam, Oliver, Jack, Benjamin, Theodore, Lucas, William, Ethan, Leo.

Choosing a name is just one of many things that go along with welcoming a new baby. It is important that parents register their child's birth within 30 days of welcoming their newborn.

"As a proud father of five children, I know firsthand how much new parents have on their plate when welcoming a child into the world. That's why our government is making it easier than ServiceOntario's 5-in-1 Newborn Bundle was the first of its kind in Canada when it launched in 2007. More than 1.6 million births have been registered in Ontario using the service.

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Government launches 2023 budget consultations to seek input on next phase of Ontario's Plan to Build

he Progress on the Plan to Build Act (Budget Measures), 2022 received Royal Assent, advancing the government's plan to build Ontario with new targeted measures that

build the economy, address the province's labour shortage and help families and businesses keep costs down.

The government's flexible and responsible plan will continue to position the province to be ready to manage uncertainty and risk as the world faces high inflation and emerging economic challenges.

"With the passage of this important piece of legislation, we are making good on our promise to help families, seniors and small business navigate these uncertain economic times through targeted measures," said Minister of Finance Peter Bethlenfalvy. "To continue to deliver support where it is most needed, we are now looking ahead to the next phase of our plan with the launch of consultations for the 2023 Budget."

The government is seeking ideas from workers, families, business owners and communities on what they need and what they want to see in the next phase of the government's plan as part of Ontario's 2023 Budget.

"As we visit communities across the province, we want to hear from the peo-

ple and businesses of Ontario on how our government can continue to build the province," said Minister Bethlenfalvy. "Together we have made great progress on our plan to build and by continuing together we can create a prosperous Ontario for today and tomorrow."

Minister Bethlenfalvy, President of the Treasury Board Prabmeet Sarkaria, and Parliamentary Assistants Stephen Crawford and Rick Byers will hold in-person consultations across the province from January 11 to February 10, beginning in Brampton.

"Our mission to build Ontario represents a bold vision to move the people and businesses of our province forward," said Minister Sarkaria. "Listening to the voices and perspectives of Ontarians is key to crafting a budget that reflects them and is a critical part of keeping their priorities at the centre of everything we do."

People and organizations are also welcome to submit their ideas by email or mail to the Ministry of Finance. In January, the government will also launch an online survey.

Visit Ontario.ca/budgetconsultations for more information about how to participate.

The government will deliver the 2023 Budget by March 31, 2023.





We wish you a happy and safe holiday season

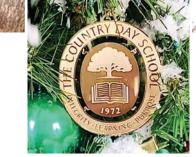
and all the best for the New Year!

During this season of giving, the CDS community supported the following charities:

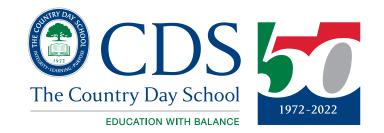
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Ontario expanding access to MRI services across the province

improving people's access to diagnostic imaging services and reducing wait times by investing over \$20 million in operating funding to support the addition of 27 new magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) machines in hospitals across Ontario.

"Our government is ensuring hospitals across the province have the funds they need to operate their new MRI machines and increase access to diagnostic imaging for people in their communities," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "For some communities, this funding means they will have their first-ever MRI machine and residents will have more convenient access to care closer to home."

This funding will provide hospitals in all regions of the province with annual operational funding for new MRI machines. With this investment, some small and rural community hospitals will now be able to operate their very over \$300 million in 2022-23 as part of first MRI machine. For people in these the province's surgical recovery stratecommunities, this means they will have gy, bringing the total investment to apmore convenient access to diagnostic imaging and no longer need to travel to receive an MRI scan. This funding will also support additional MRI machines in hospitals in high-population growth areas with increased demand for MRI services. Patients in these communities will also benefit from increased MRI services closer to home. With more MRI services throughout the province, patients can be diagnosed faster and if needed, begin treatment and follow-up care even sooner. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) is a non-invasive medical imaging technique that uses magnetic fields and radio waves to take detailed pictures of organs and tissues in the

he Ontario government is body. MRIs are used to diagnose many health problems, including brain injuries, heart disease and various tumours and cancers.

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This funding brings the total investment in operational funding for new MRI machines to \$40 million, increasing the government's 2021-22 commitment to invest \$30 million by an additional \$10 million to help hospitals increase MRI capacity and services. In total, the province is providing operational funding for 49 new MRI machines in 42 hospitals across the province.

As part of its Plan to Stay Open: Health System Stability and Recovery, through the Surgical Recovery Strategy, the government is adding more than 150,000 one-time additional operating hours in 2022-23 for hospital-based MRI and CT machines, ensuring better and more equitable access to diagnostic imaging services.

The Ontario government is investing proximately \$880 million over the last three fiscal years.





"The Ontario Association of Radiologists welcomes the government's investment announcement of operational funding for new MRI scanners across Ontario. MRI is central to the detection and management of diseases, including cancer, strokes, and cardiac disease. This investment into MRI infrastructure will reduce wait times worsened by the pandemic and help save lives. Diagnostic and Interventional Radiologists remain committed to working alongside the government and Ministry to provide high-quality diagnostic care to Ontario patients," said Dr. David Jacobs, president, Ontario Association of Radiologists.



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As we look back on 2022, there is so much to be grateful for

remain tremendously grateful to have been re-elected as your MPP this past June, as Ontario's voters returned our government to Queen's Park. It is an honour to be working for you, making sure our province stays on the right track.

That means delivering for families in King Township and Vaughan. Including for those who live in more rural communities, requiring paved roads and better internet, support for local farming, and improved services.

It means more money in your pockets as our rernment extended our 5.7 cent per litre cut to gas and fuel taxes for an additional year. We know that inflation has left a lot of families feeling the pinch this year, and we're taking real action to help Ontario's families. I am also proud of this government's historic investment to ensure there will be high-speed internet access across the Township of King by 2025. Hundreds of additional homes are being connected and will be able to count on reliable high-speed internet for their studies, business, and to keep in touch with family abroad. Ontario's government is also taking real action to address crime and ensure law enforcement have the tools they need. I heard from too many people who have been impacted by crime like auto theft and break-ins. That's why I was excited to announce a nearly \$3 million dollar investment to deter crime right here in King-Vaughan, so the York Regional Police can keep our community safe. I was proud to secure nearly \$630,000.00 for Mackenzie Health earlier this month to improve the hospitals that serve families in our community, along with the hiring of hundreds of front-line staff, which will ensure patients get the quality care they deserve. This includes support for Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital and the construction of a new long-term care facility adjacent to the hospital — to serve our aging population. This is on top of delivering more than \$5 million to expand the Southlake Regional Health Centre and ultimately build a new hospital, which will create more than 600 beds right here in our community for the people who need them most. This important investment will transform care across King and Vaughan to become a two-site hospital system that can meet the needs of families today and into the future. Additionally, I am pleased to report that at the Maple GO station, construction has started on improvements that will update and upgrade the facility including a new West side platform. It also includes an expanded bus loop on Eagle Rock Way, an upgraded Passenger Pick-Up, Drop-Off zone and a new pedestrian bridge over Major Mackenzie Drive with new retaining walls, pathways, and landscaping around the bridge

Construction is also underway at King City GO station to expand and improve the surface parking lot, add a new west platform, as well as a new pedestrian bridge at the station.



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I am also honoured that Premier Ford asked me to continue as Ontario's Education Minister, a role I have been privileged to hold since 2019. We are building a new state-of-the-art French language secondary school in Vaughan, with an investment of nearly \$24 million, along with a new elementary school in Kleinburg that will serve residents in this growing community.

I am passionate about ensuring the next generation have the skills and education they need to achieve success in life.

That starts by making sure they remain in class. It's a key pillar of Ontario's Plan to Catch Up, which is helping Ontario's students get back on track after two years of learning disruption. In it, we are not only making important and long-overdue updates to curriculum, including important subjects like coding and a focus on STEM, but also historic investments in tutoring, and specialized supports in math and literacy.

My mission is to ensure students graduate with a competitive advantage so that they can attain a good-paying job.

We also know that parents need support, which is why we launched Ontario's Catch Up Payments, which provides families with up to \$250 per child. Real relief for families when they need it. We also delivered a better child care deal that is saving families on average of \$10,000 per child by January 1 — a significant savings that will help more women enter the labour market and reduce fees for families.

All of this to say, your government is working for you to get it done. We are working every day to make life more affordable, to attract job-creating investment, reduce congestion, and ensure that for years to come Ontario remains a province of hope and opportunity.

While the work continues, I wish you a positive and healthy year ahead. Thank you for this truly incredible opportunity.







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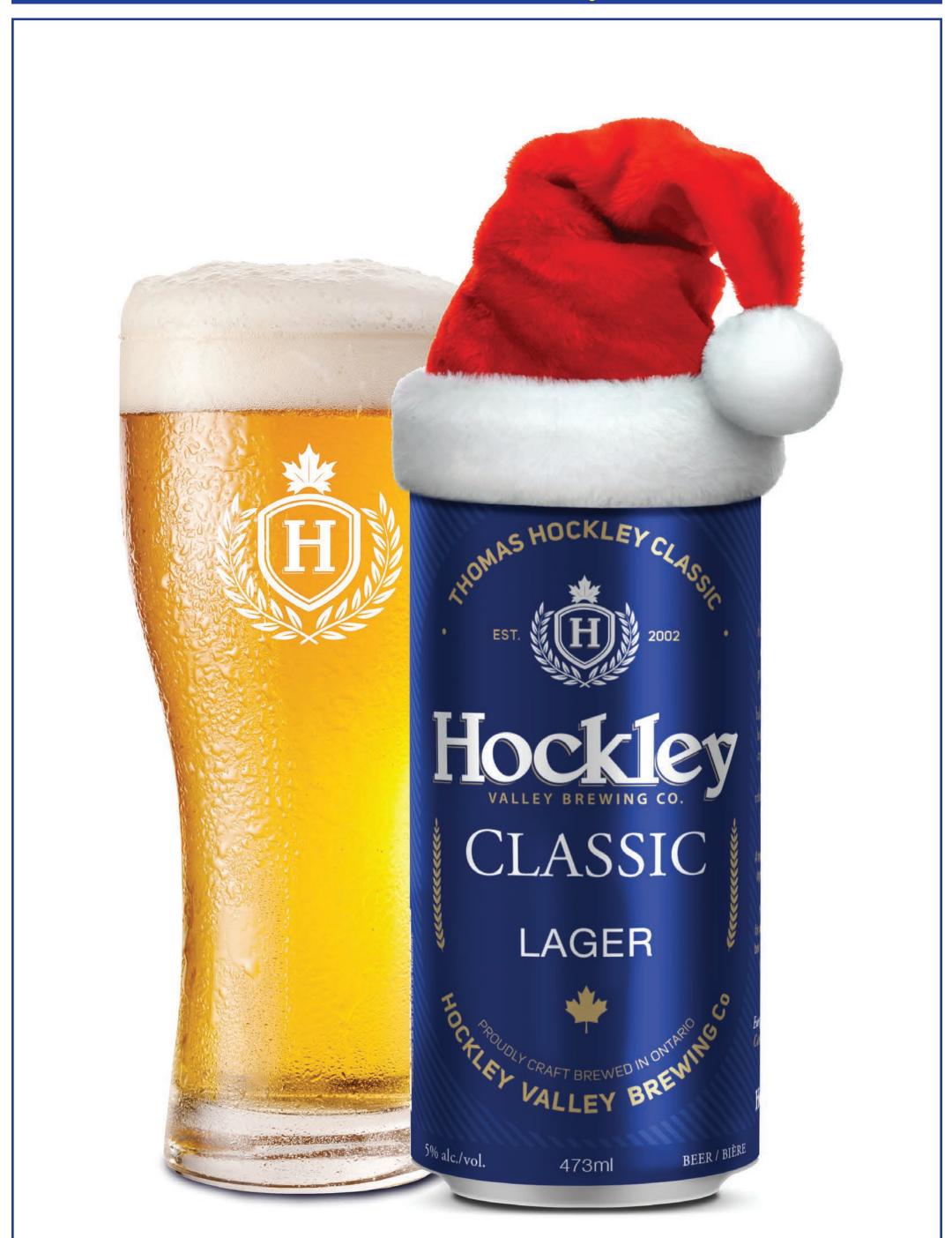






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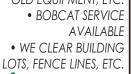
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