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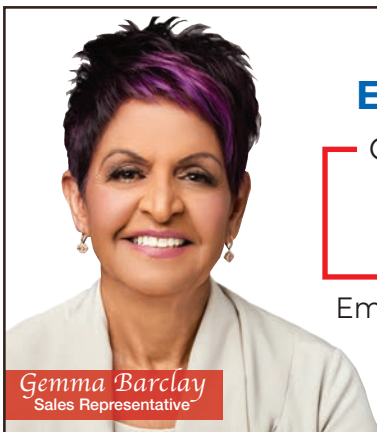
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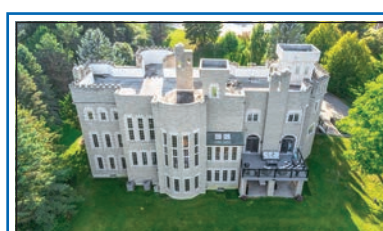
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The Lions Community Sports Park in Nobleton will be an amazing central hub, once the phase two improvements are completed. This is a key revitalization initiative for the village.

Nobleton Park will be an amazing community hub

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
Local Journalism
Initiative Reporter

Some great things are in store for the Lions Community Sports Park in Nobleton.

The second phase of upgrading the Nobleton park can move ahead, with the awarding of a tender. Council okayed the contract to Latitude 67 Ltd.

The Nobleton Park Revitalization Project is a “transformative initiative” by the Township of King, aimed at revitalizing key municipal properties located at 15 Old King Road in Nobleton. This project is part of the broader Nobleton Revitalization Strategy, designed to create a vibrant, multi-use community hub that reflects the diverse needs and aspirations of Nobleton residents.

Phase 2 of the project includes the development of new recreational and cultural amenities such as a wading pool/outdoor ice rink hybrid system; an amphitheatre; lighted pickleball courts; a soccer field; walking paths, and turning the pool house into a recreational program building.

Bidders for this project were prequalified through Request for Prequalification and Latitude 67 Ltd. was found to be the lowest bidder. They quoted \$3.7 million to do the work.

Staff said this project will top \$4 million with various fees and it's all part of the approved project funding.

Councillor David Boyd pointed out this park, when completed, will be a “big deal for the community.”

Packed with amenities, it will appeal to everyone. He said he's happy to see the project come to fruition.

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Community enjoys King's Oktoberfest celebration.

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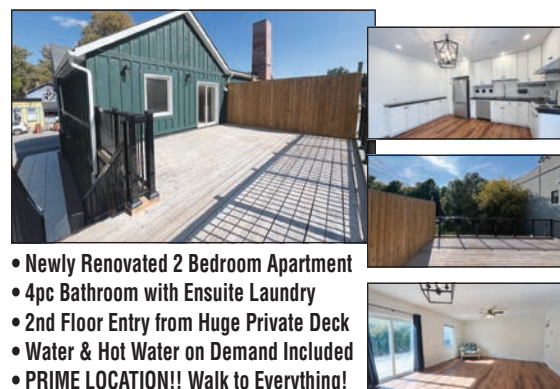
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Wednesday, October 15
6 p.m. - Committee of Adjustment

Hybrid meeting (in-person/virtual participation, live-streamed).
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Tuesday, October 21
11 a.m. - Accessibility Advisory Committee

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Oct. 26 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Vaughan Animal Shelter
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For more information, visit king.ca/EnvironmentalEvents.



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Oct. 18 at 11am to 2pm
Shop & Stroll

king.ca/SidewalkableSaturday

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Traffic Disruption Notice Main Street Road Closure Schomberg

Please be advised that a scheduled temporary road closure will affect portions of **Main Street** for the following event:

Sidewalkable Saturday
Saturday, October 18th 2025
Between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

There will be a full closure of Main Street from the Schomberg Community Hall (325 Main Street) to the Schomberg Lions Play Parkette (221 Main Street). For more information about Sidewalkable Saturday, visit king.ca/sidewalkablesaturday.

For more information about the road closure, please contact the Clerk's Division at 905-833-5321 or email clerks@king.ca.

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This review comes ahead of the 2028 expiry of the current waste collection contract—and we want to hear from residents.

Share your experience with current services, and thoughts on automated cart collection for garbage and organics.

Take an online questionnaire by October 17.

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Upgrades to Marylake Gatehouse approved by council

By Mark Pavilons
Editor
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Initiative Reporter

The historic gatehouse at Marylake will be getting some much-needed upgrades.

Councillors gave their approval to the work, which includes a long list of improvements.

The work to be done will include the placement of 30 existing windows with casement windows, which are to have similar muntin patterns as the existing windows.

The damaged roof ridge cap will be repaired with cast-in-place concrete, to be completed in a similar colour to the existing roof ridge cap.

The slate roof shingles will also be replaced with Highland Slate asphalt shingles, in a similar colour to existing slate shingles.

In order for the work to proceed, council had to approve a heritage permit, since the building is “Designated” under the Ontario Heritage Act.

The Township, under its Heritage Grant Program, has agreed to award a grant of \$12,000 to the project.

The subject property is located on the north-west corner of Keele Street and the 15th Sideroad. The property contains the Marylake Monastery Shrine and related place of worship, as well as various environmental and rural/agricultural lands. Staff also note the construction of St. Rita’s Long Term Care Home is currently under way on the property.

The Marylake Augustinian Monastery, was designated in 1984 and rules dictate that any restoration clearly reflect the heritage and character of the gatehouse and its features.

The applicant has also applied for the grant under the Township’s Heritage Property Grant Program, to receive matching funds for the costs asso-

ciated with the proposed alterations to the property.

The castle-style stone gatehouse was designed by E.J. Lennox and constructed circa 1911 as an entrance feature to the summer estate and farm property. The project was funded by the property owner, Canadian financier Sir Henry Pellat, otherwise known for his construction of Casa Loma, which E.J. Lennox also designed, in the City of Toronto.

The following is an excerpt from a 1984 archival record, describing the history and construction of the gatehouse, as well as modern alterations that have taken place:

“Early in the century, Sir Henry became interested in a country estate, and so began purchasing land in King Township, just north of King City. By 1911, he had acquired approximately 1,000 acres at the northwest corner of Concession 4 (Keele Street) and the 15th Sideroad. Included in this property was a beautifully clear 40-acre lake. He named his estate ‘Lake Marie’ after his wife, Marie.

“Over several years he improved the property, started a farm operation, and ordered the construction of the impressive iron and stone gates, the fence, and the gatehouse at the Concession 4 entrance to his estate. These were built in the same style as his Casa Loma property and designed by the same architect, E.J. Lennox. The work was probably carried out by the same contractor and even the same stonemasons.

“The two-storey gatehouse is basically a rectangular plan of about 30 by 40 feet. The material is similar to the gates of finely cut stone trim with fieldstone infill. It has a very steep gabled roof of grey slate. The exterior is in good condition. Modern alterations are aluminum double windows and a wooden screened front porch.”

The applicant wants to replace the deteriorated original slate roof shin-



gles and the non-original windows with casement windows having similar muntin patterns as currently existing. The applicant is also proposing to repair damaged portions of the roof’s ridge cap with cast-in-place concrete material of a similar color to the existing ridge cap.

Staff noted that one of the key heritage attributes of the gatehouse reflects Norman and Scottish castle architecture, which includes slate roof shingles and the stone construction of the building. Staff acknowledge that the gatehouse requires restorative repairs to prolong the longevity of the structure. The applicant has acknowledged the need to obtain a heritage permit to allow the undertaking of the proposed works.

The Township’s Heritage Planner reviewed the work and is generally supportive. It was noted the replacement material will not detract from the overall architectural character or heritage value of the gatehouse, the proposed work is considered appropriate.

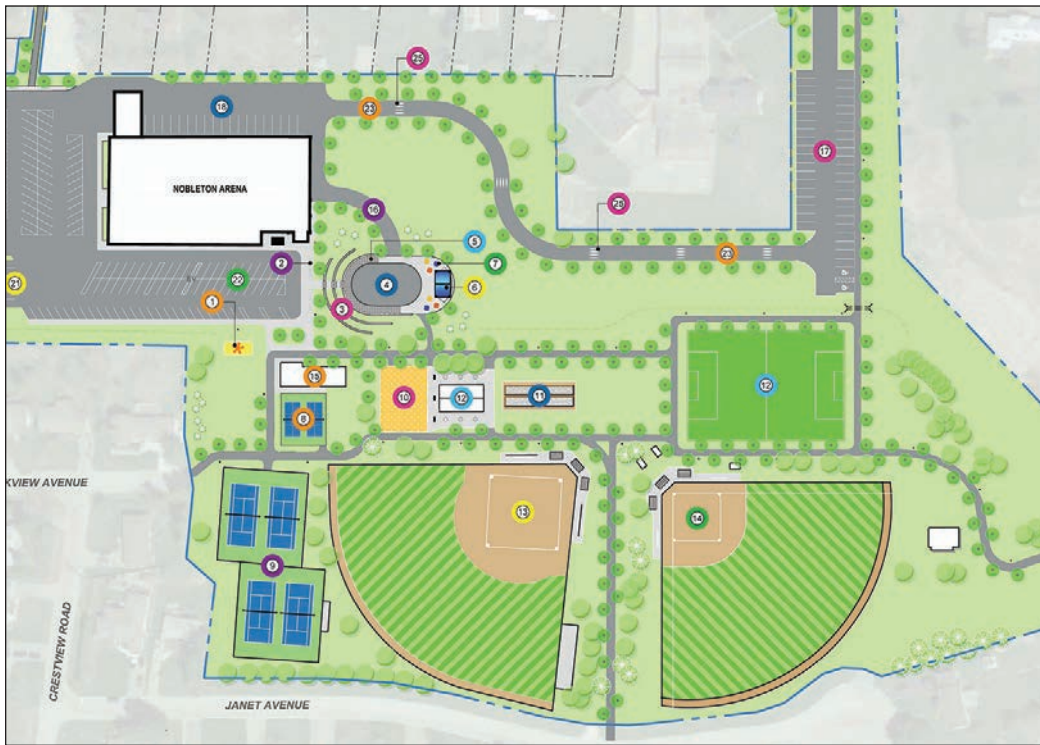
The applicant advised that they are a volunteer group and are undertaking this work at no cost to the owners. The applicant advised that it is their intention to stop further deterioration of the gatehouse, with the best course of action given the limited budget and current circumstances.

King’s Heritage Committee emphasized the importance of maintaining a balance between respecting economic viability, restoration, and reversible interventions. The Committee considered a need to uphold the integrity and character of designated heritage properties by encouraging restoration using historically appropriate materials and techniques and also recognized the importance of the economic viability of such interventions, recognizing that overly rigid expectations may discourage preservation altogether or lead to further neglect.

Given that the proposed works are largely reversible and generally respect the architectural significance of the gatehouse while also ensuring its longevity for future generations, the Committee passed a motion in support of the application, consistent with staff’s recommendation.

Councillor Debbie Schaefer said she’s happy to see that upgrades are coming and that the work is being done by volunteers. She wants to ensure the result is a quality restoration and staff assured her the volunteers are fully aware what’s required.

Staff also noted the grant money from the Township will be given to the property owners, to be disbursed as they see fit.



Park will be Nobleton’s centrepiece

From Front Page

He urged staff to help him keep residents up to date on timelines, during the work.

The \$4-million tab for the work is not coming from taxpayers, but rather thanks to careful planning through a Municipal Capital Facilities Agreement (MCFA). Through this agreement, the Township secured voluntary contributions from developers working in the Nobleton area.

These funds were directed into a dedicated Nobleton reserve, with a portion now supporting the upgrades.

“I’m proud that, through strategic partnerships and innovative financial planning, King is delivering these exciting enhancements that support the long-awaited revitalization of Nobleton’s core without relying on tax dollars,” Boyd said.

He’d like to see something like a public tree park where the evergreens can be decorated during the holidays. He wants staff to make sure the park has access to electricity.

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Fear serves us, but takes so much away from us

“Only when we are no longer afraid do we begin to live.”

Dorothy Thompson

Fear is one strong human emotion, trust me.

Largely, we fear the unknown – what we don’t understand or cannot comprehend.

Our fear has kept our species thriving for millennia and it still serves us to this day. Along with facing real fears comes battling irrational ones.

We know a centipede won’t harm us, yet I’ve seen people jump on their chairs when one crawls past, hundred legs and all. I bet a few people cringed at that very sentence. Similarly, bats, snakes and spiders would rather avoid us than confront us.

I love horror movies, but I am rarely scared by the on-screen antics.

I think our one, main fear, is the fear of dying, and what may, or may not come after.

Jim Morrison advised us to “expose yourself to your deepest fear; after that, fear has no power, and the fear of freedom shrinks and vanishes. You are free.”

I really hate cancer and the way it toys with me.

Cancer hides in plain sight, mocking us, daring us to come closer, to find a way to extinguish its flame.

In many cases, medical experts have found ways to fool this insidious beast, to trick it into hibernating, or hiding under some dark, damp rock.

And still, every once in a while, it nudges us, pokes us to let us know it’s still there.

It takes.

Not only does it creep into the nooks and crannies of our bodies, it inhabits every corner of our minds. It plagues us with fear, apprehension, anxiety



Mark Pavilons

and stress.

It’s almost perfect in its total destruction of a human being and the fear it brings.

We are not alone in how we process our panic. Almost every other creature on the planet experiences fear.

Apparently it’s not totally a learned behaviour but more of an inherent survival mechanism.

The amygdala in the brain processes fear, releasing hormones like adrenaline to prepare the body for action. Fear is a natural, biological response designed to protect us from danger by alerting us to potential harm.

Experts say it’s a biological response, not a learned behavior; that involves a complex set of physiological changes, including an increased heart rate and the release of stress hormones like adrenaline, sparking the “fight-or-flight” response.

Fear is a fundamental evolutionary tool that helps living organisms detect and escape harm, enhancing their chances of survival.

Fear extends across the animal kingdom, from insects and snails to most mammals.

It’s funny, though, that humans are born with innate fears of loud noises and falling, perhaps forms of self-preservation, associating these things with danger.

Fear is deeply embedded in our nervous system as a survival instinct to keep us safe from dangerous situations, whether physical or psychological.

When I hear people say they’re afraid of something, I smirk.

Only those faced with a life-threatening disease, ailment or situation know real fear.

“Carry the fire for a world free from the fear of cancer.” That’s the slogan for the newest home lottery being held by the Princess Margaret Foundation. Notice it says “fear.”

Fear is being told you have cancer. Fear is having an operation to remove an organ. Fear is going on chemo. Fear cloaks you every time you slide into a CT or PET scanner. Fear is well, fearing the worst.

Going through a phase of thinking about death and being hyper-aware of death is a part of the existential train of thought.

For many of us, it’s our unavoidable train of thought, something we’d love immensely to derail.

I wonder whether cancer has turned me into an existentialist.

In the philosophy of existential nihilism, the idea is that life, in particular, has no inherent meaning or purpose.

The recognition of death as the ultimate end is a key factor in existential nihilism. It suggests that since everything will eventually cease to exist, including individual accomplishments

and the entire human experience, so there’s no real, lasting, objective value to be found.

This perspective can lead to a sense of indifference, lack of motivation, or even existential crises.

Very dark, isn’t it?

But some philosophers, like Albert Camus, argue that acknowledging the absurd nature of existence can be liberating, allowing individuals to create their own subjective meaning and live “authentically.”

They recommend using this time to see what you want to give to life and what you want to take from it.

All well and good, but in reality, optimism also falls victim to cancer.

How does one make a “giving list” when time is short?

Many people talk about their “bucket lists” when they’re still young and healthy. While my bucket list is full, the bucket is, alas, empty.

Who has the flexibility and money to check off bucket list items, especially if they involve travel to exotic places?

The most exotic place I’m going in the near future is the Stronach Regional Cancer Centre in Newmarket.

That being said, dread has become my ally, my companion. There’s much to be learned from apprehension and worry, who’ve also been my life-long acquaintances.

Fear doesn’t shut you down, it wakes you up!

And now that I’m constantly wide-eyed and bushy tailed, I need to live, and sideline my uneasiness.

“The brave man is not he who does not feel afraid, but he who conquers that fear.”

– Nelson Mandela

Maybe, with the help of many others, I can conquer this fear, and lessen cancer’s grip on me.

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Local newspapers deliver vital information to Canadians every day, connecting local communities across the country and keeping citizens informed, engaged, and connected.



Quote of the Week

“Fear doesn’t shut you down; it wakes you up.”

– Veronica Roth

Trivia Tidbits

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THIS WEEK’S QUESTION

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Art lights up our brains and ignites action

By David Suzuki

The Environment

When we think of solutions to the climate and biodiversity crises, we often imagine technologies, government policies or new infrastructure. But sometimes the most powerful tools are far older and more human: stories, songs, images and performances. Art doesn't just decorate our world; it shapes how we see it.

Neuroscience offers evidence for this. When we encounter art — whether it's a painting, dance, music or story — our brains engage networks tied to emotion, memory and empathy. Studies have found that aesthetic experiences activate the brain's reward system, much like food, exercise, hob-

bies, spending time in nature and social connection. Experiencing art literally lights up our neural pathways, making us more open to new ideas and more likely to activate them.

That matters when it comes to rewilding — restoring ecosystems and their processes and reconnecting people with the natural world. Too often, conservation discussions rely on numbers and warnings. But facts alone don't always move people. Art is an affecting way to bridge the gap between data and action.

That's why the David Suzuki Foundation and Rewilding magazine launched the Rewilding Arts Prize. This national

prize celebrates artists in Canada whose work reimagines our relationship with nature and community. The inaugural prize, launched in 2022, drew more than 550 applications. The winners' work spans textiles, sculpture, installation, photography and sound. It's on view at the Canadian Museum of Nature in Ottawa until October 2025 and is the first major exhibition in Canada devoted entirely to rewilding-themed art.

Walking through the museum, you arrive at Amanda McCavour's embroidered garden of 500 poppies suspended above, fragile yet immersive, transforming the gallery into a rewilded ecosystem of thread and brilliant colour. Natasha Lavdovsky's moss and lichen-inspired work blurs the line between art and science, inviting us to see rewilding as a partnership with often overlooked organisms that stitch ecosystems together. Amber Sandy's birchbark and hide works honour Indigenous knowledge and relationships with the land, rewilding cultural connections alongside ecological ones.

These works aren't just beautiful; they also change how we perceive the natural world and how we imagine rewilding our communities.

Science backs up what visitors feel. An abundance of research shows that nature-themed art and place-based aesthetic experiences can strengthen ecological identity and inspire stewardship. Art grounded in environmental contexts nurtures empathy, deepens our connection with nature and motivates pro-environmental attitudes and behaviours.

In other words, art doesn't just make us think; it makes us care, and caring leads to action.

A 2025 study shows that strengthening human-nature connectedness is essential to addressing climate change and biodiversity loss, and art is uniquely positioned to catalyze that bond. An earlier study, from 2024, notes that environmental professionals often point to artworks that shaped or reinforced their values. Psychologists even describe the "awesome solution" — art that ignites the strongest emotional and cognitive responses, opening people to new perspectives and action. Art doesn't just reflect our world; it can help us reimagine it and move us to protect it.

The Rewilding Arts Prize was built

on this understanding. By elevating artists who draw attention to the fragility and resilience of ecosystems, we're helping shift culture. And culture change is at the heart of environmental progress. Laws and policies may set the framework, but people need to envision different ways of living. Art opens that door.

This fall, the David Suzuki Foundation is launching the second round of the Rewilding Arts Prize. Through November 18, artists from throughout Canada can apply. Five winners will each receive \$2,000 and join the Rewilding Arts Collective — a growing network of artists advancing ecological awareness through creative practice. Alongside the prize, there will be a Toronto art show, a panel in Montreal discussing rewilding and art and a national webinar to showcase art's role in advocacy and community building.

The science is clear: Healthy ecosystems are essential for our survival. But facts and numbers alone can't tell the whole story. We need artists to spark wonder, shift perspectives and help us envisage a more just, biodiverse future. If we are to rewild our landscapes and communities, we must also rewild our hearts and minds. Science shows us why this matters, and art shows us how.

David Suzuki is a scientist, broadcaster, author and co-founder of the David Suzuki Foundation. Written with David Suzuki Foundation Rewilding Communities Program Manager Jode Roberts. Learn more at david Suzuki.org.

Editorial

Province should reconsider speed camera ban

In a surprising move, the Province has banned all municipal speed cameras. They don't want them used as a form of revenue for municipalities and have, in stead, promised increased funding for new safety measures that include larger signage, especially in school zones.

We find this odd, since they've been in use for some time across York and in King. Yes, they do provide extra revenue for the municipality, but in an age of increasing costs and shrinking funding sources, this seemed like a win-win proposal.

Sure, drivers and residents likely got dinged a few times before the message sunk in.

This isn't a tax or mandatory payment — it's a fine for breaking the law. These cameras have proven to reduce speeding and collisions, so to ban them completely is a bit of a stunner.

They're stand-alone units that are self-sufficient and only require occasional maintenance.

According to Joseph Petrunaro, York's Director for Roads, Traffic and Fleet, ASE is a proven safety tool and makes "real, demonstrable impacts to safety in York Region."

Some municipalities, like Brampton, have asked the Premier to reconsider or scale down his decision.

And yet, Ford contends the municipalities are using the revenue as a "cash grab."

By the same token, provincial sales taxes, gasoline taxes, mandatory vehicle insurance and driver's licence renewal fees are all forms of a "cash grab."

Are these on the chopping block, too? Not likely.

The premier sides with the average taxpayer, saying we shouldn't be burdened with more fines. How much does the government make on parking or bylaw fines? If there are gaps in the current system, we suggest monitoring it for a period and then make a final decision.

If the Province stands on its decision, maybe we should auction off the speed camera signs and put the money towards speed humps or other community improvements.

To kibosh cameras when they're just becoming the norm (with many more scheduled for the coming year) is a big step backwards.

MP, Editor



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New Youth Wellness Hub will deliver wrap-around mental health supports for youth in King and Vaughan

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan, officially opened Vaughan's first Youth Wellness Hub after initially announcing the facility in January of this year. This is the first Youth Wellness Hub that will serve youth aged 12 to 25 in King and Vaughan and is part of the Ontario government's plan to make it faster and easier for young people to connect to mental health and substance use support.

The Maple Youth Wellness Hub is located at 321-9401 Jane Street near the intersection of Rutherford Road and Jane Street and is one of 10 new hubs the government is adding to the network of 22 hubs already opened or in development, bringing the total to 32 across the province.

"Back in January, I announced the province was going to fund a new Youth Wellness Hub in the heart of Vaughan — the first of its kind in our community. Today, I am proud to have delivered on my commitment to open a dedicated space — a one-stop shop of free integrated care — to support the health of our youth," said Lecce. "Young people face difficulty on social media, in the classroom and in our communities, which is why the opening of a dedicated center providing wrap-around mental health and substance use support will make it easier for youth to get the care they

need, close to home."

The new hub offers free, walk-in services for local youth. Services include mental health and substance use support, primary care, and peer support and social services. Additional services offered through the hub include supports for newcomers, employment services and access to community and social supports.

"Youth Wellness Hubs are about providing young people with the supports they need to connect and thrive," said Vijay Thanigasalam, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. "By expanding this network, we're strengthening Ontario's mental health and addictions system and making it easier for youth to get convenient, integrated care in a safe, welcoming space that meets their needs."

The hub was co-designed by York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families, in collaboration with local youth, families and community partners to ensure the spaces and services reflected the needs of the community.

"Our government is continuing to take action to build a connected and convenient system of care that meets the needs of youth and their families," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "As part of our commitment to expanding Youth Wellness



King–Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce was pleased to help open the first Youth Wellness Hub in the riding.

Hubs across Ontario and supporting communities with the care they need, the opening of the Maple Youth Wellness Hub ensures young people have access to high-quality mental health and addictions services, closer to home, in a space designed just for them."

The milestone supports Your Health: A Plan for Connected and Convenient Care, the government has significantly expanded the number of Youth Wellness Hubs across the province to make it faster and easier for young people to connect to mental health and substance use support, primary care, social services and more.

York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families led the co-design of the Vaughan Youth Wellness Hub with local community partners including 360 Kids, CMHA York Region, and Addictions Services for York Region, ensuring diverse youth voices were at the centre of the design of the hub model.

Between August 2019 and March 2025, Youth Wellness Hubs connected nearly 73,000 youth and their families to mental health, substance use, and wellness services, accounting for over 367,000 visits.

In the last year, more than 27,000 youth made over 134,920 visits to Youth Wellness Hubs across the province.

Ontario is investing \$8.3 million over three years to expand the Youth Wellness Hubs Ontario program by adding 10 new hubs. These sites will be located in Port Hope, Thunder Bay, Oxford County, Vaughan, Brampton, Akwesasne, Bancroft, Cambridge, Dufferin County, and Durham/Ajax. This expansion will bring the total number of hubs to 32, with more expected to open later this year.

Between 2020 and 2023, Ontario established the initial provincial network of 22 Youth Wellness Hubs that are currently operating or in development: Al-

goma, Central Toronto, Chatham Kent, Eastern Champlain (Cornwall & SDG and Rockland & Prescott Russell), Haliburton County, Kenora, KFLA Region, London-Middlesex, Malton (includes Peel Region and Mississauga), Niagara Region, North Simcoe, Renfrew County, Sagamok Anishnawbek, Sarnia-Lambton, Scarborough, Sudbury, Thorncliffe Park, Timmins, Toronto East, Wellington-Guelph, West Toronto and Windsor-Essex.

Ontario is investing \$3.8 billion over 10 years to fill gaps in mental health and addictions care, create new services and expand programs through Roadmap to Wellness.

"The importance of supporting the mental health and well-being of Ontario's young people cannot be overstated. That is why I am proud to see our government opening yet another Youth Wellness Hub — and right here in York Region. Building on the proven success of hubs across the province, this safe and welcoming space will be a game-changer for Vaughan's youth, providing the high-quality care and supports they deserve, close to home," added Michael Tibollo, MPP, Vaughan—Woodbridge.

"Mental health affects people of every age, but especially the youth of our community. I want to express my gratitude to Premier Doug Ford, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health Sylvia Jones and MPP Stephen Lecce for their continued investment in our city through the new Maple Youth Wellness Hub. By providing free mental health services for youth aged 12 to 25 years old, we can help ensure young people in Vaughan receive the support and resources they need to thrive and feel safe," noted Vaughan Mayor Steven Del Duca.

"I'm thrilled that doors are officially opening at this inclusive new space for youth in Vaughan and the surrounding area. Here, young people will find a full range of integrated supports—mental health, substance use care, primary care, housing, employment, recreation, and more, under one roof. This hub is possible thanks to the Government of Ontario, York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and Families, and community partners and youth who came together to make it a reality. Together, we are creating better opportunities and brighter futures with youth across Ontario," stated Carole-Anne Chiasson, Executive Director, Youth Wellness Hubs Ontario.



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Open house at King City Fire Hall attracts over 500 visitors

By Jim Stewart

Over 500 visitors enjoyed the hospitality and learned lessons about Fire Prevention at King City Firehouse Station 34 on Saturday.

The four-hour event, which ran from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and was opened officially by King-Vaughan MP Anna Roberts, featured information kiosks to promote Fire Prevention Week as well as firefighting opportunities for youngsters who operated a fire hose and extinguished a mini-blaze in the back lot of Station 34.

Free pizza, face painting, trips around the lots in a miniature fire truck, and a fishing derby attracted hundreds of kids, some of which showed up in uniform, much to the delight of King Township Fire Chief Courtney Allen: "When the kids showed up in their bunker gear, I mentioned to them I'd be hiring them in 15 years."

Chief Allen was pleased to "see the firefighters interacting with the public in a non-emergency situation. We see so many people on their worst day - it's great to have conversations with people at the station in these casual settings. We had people who showed up at 10 a.m. who haven't left. Although this is focused for children, at the same time, we're promoting Fire Prevention Week, with an emphasis on working smoke alarms."

Although the benefits for visitors were evident, Chief Allen noted that the event was great for the team spirit of the firefighters: "When you work hard, the team comes together and this

open house is good for team-building."

Another benefit for area firefighters, according to Chief Allen, was that "we were able to show the public some new life-saving equipment we've received, including a band saw that we used during an emergency a few days ago where the Jaws of Life could not be used."

Fire Prevention Week is observed in Canada and the United States this year from Oct. 5 to 11.



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Councillors hoping YRT will fill gaps in service in King

By Mark Pavilons
 Editor
 Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

While public transit services are growing in King, some gaps remain.

And local councillors would like York Region Transit to make a goal to fill them in the future.

Council heard from Tamas Hertel, YRT's service planning manager, with regards to its 2026 transit plan for King.

YRP hopes to finalize its annual document this fall, after reviews, consultations and community outreach throughout the past year. YRT staff were present in King many times, including meetings with staff, holding public outreach sessions, meeting with

seniors and both local school boards. YRT will be meeting with King City seniors Sept. 26 to engage them about their travel options.

Hertel said some of the feedback they received included extending the On-Request King service hours on weekdays, and introducing weekend service. This was implemented just recently.

Residents asked for a direct service connectint Seneca King Campus to Yonge Street, as well as improved frequency on Route 96 (Keele-Yonge).

Residents also asked for improved connections between routes and GO trains from the King City station.

Looking west, there was a need for service along Highway 27, connecting Schomberg and Nobleton, with Kleinburg.

Along with the recently implemented On-Request North-Central service, YRT will improve weekday, mid-day frequency on Route 88 (Bathurst).

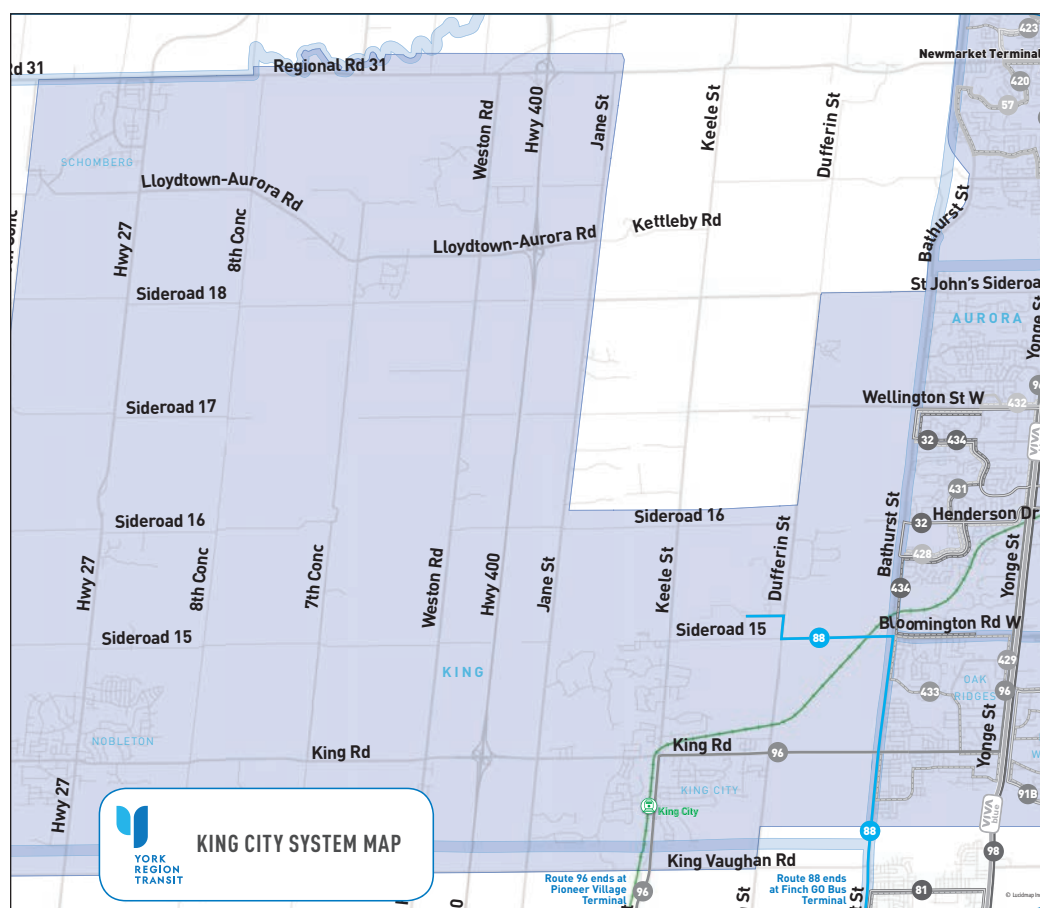
He explained that ridership in King has been steady and consistent, with a 5% increase over 2024 levels.

Councillors did point out there's a noticeable gap in northeastern King – from 16 Sideroad to Highway 9; Jane to Dufferin.

Councillors would like to see all of King included in YRT services, including the Marsh.

Councillor Avia Eek said many seasonal workers are employed on Marsh farms, and they would benefit immensely from public transit.

Hertel said they did expand service hours, but not areas in King. Hopes are that section will be addressed and the gaps filled in the near future.



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York waiting on direction before dismantling cameras

York Region is waiting for further direction from the Province, before it removes its speed cameras.

Premier Ford announced a ban for all municipal speed cameras, calling it a "cash grab."

According to Joseph Petrunaro, York's Director for Roads, Traffic and Fleet, ASE is a proven safety tool and makes real, demonstrable impacts to

safety in York Region; when drivers follow the posted speed limit, they will not receive a penalty order (or ticket).

"Slowing down in school zones makes our communities safer; this supports York Region's Vision Zero Traveller Safety Plan, which aims to reduce severe collisions (those involving injury or death) by 10% over five years.

"York Region is monitoring this development and will await further details from the Ontario government to determine next steps

"At this time, all York Region ASE cameras on Regional roads continue to be operational and issuing penalty orders for speeding; signage remains in place

"This provincial decision has potential implications for York Region's Vision Zero Traveller Safety Plan and the Administrative Penalty Tribunal program; we remain committed to providing more information as it becomes available

"York Region will continue to work with our partners, including local cities and towns and York Regional Police, to improve road and community safety for all road users.

"We look forward to learning more about provincial funding commitments as noted by the Premier to support municipalities in improving safety on our roads."

Council approves temporary closure of 11th

By Mark Pavilons
 Editor
 Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

The 11th Concession will be closed to facilitate the replacement of a culvert

Road access will be maintained for local residents, emergency services, and farm vehicles. The closure does not block any residential or farm entrances, however, detour routes may be required as the affected road sections will be fully closed.

Detour signage will be installed and monitored throughout the duration of the closure.

Township-wide communications will be issued regarding the closure and provide direct notification to affected property owners along the 11th Concession.

Back in July, the Township awarded the contract to Sierra Excavating Enterprises Inc. This project involves the full replacement of the existing corrugated steel pipe arch (CSPA) culvert with a new precast concrete box culvert. The work also includes approximately 115 metres of associated roadworks and roadside safety im-

provements on the 11th Concession, approximately 1.8 kilometres north of King Road.

In August, to facilitate construction in a timely manner and ensure the safety of both contractor staff and road users, Sierra Excavating Enterprises Inc. applied for a Road Closure Permit from the Township.

Public Works staff support the temporary closure of the 11th Concession from October 16 to December 16, to facilitate the safe and timely replacement of the culvert. Local and emergency access will be maintained throughout the duration of the closure, and detour signage will be installed prior to the start date.

The closure will directly affect two properties. The contractor is required to ensure access is maintained for both properties throughout the construction period.

Public Works will notify the affected property owners and relevant external agencies including emergency services, Canada Post, and waste collection through direct notices and digital communications. No subsequent closures are planned following completion of this project.

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Shop, dine, explore as Sidewalkable Saturday returns

Sidewalkable Saturday returns for its fourth year, showcasing the incredible businesses and restaurants on historic Main Street, along with lots of family fun and activities! On October 18, visit the charming heart of Schomberg from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to explore the popular tourist destination for residents and visitors alike. Many local businesses will be opening their doors and spilling onto the street along with community groups and fun activities.

This family-friendly event is a fun way to explore the quaint Schomberg community and support your favourite local spot. Highlights include:

Family fun with face painting, balloon art, pumpkin decorating, games and more

A sizzling barbeque run by the Schomberg Lions.

Live music to keep the energy going.

A vintage fire truck display and activities by King Fire and Emergency Services.

A King Heritage and Cultural Centre exhibit and activities in the Schomberg Community Hall.

Lots of free King 175 swag bags (while quantities last).

From local art to fashionable trends, curated vintage finds, baked goods, antiques, home décor and more, Main Street has it all! Find the perfect gift for a loved one (or yourself) and support local businesses, including: Homeblondie, Conscious Find, Schomberg

Quality Meats, Surge Activewear, De Rose Designs & Floral Boutique to name a few.

A variety of restaurants and cafes will be providing delicious eats during Sidewalkable Saturday. Dining options range from pub food and bakeries to fine dining with the choice to enjoy meals indoors or outside on a beautiful patio. Sample a taste of the Village by visiting local eateries, including The Schomberg Pub & Patio, Leonardo's Pizzeria & Smokehouse, Chilaquiles Box Mexican Food, Craft Kitchen & Beer Bar, Grackle Coffee, Historia Cantina, TCB Cafe and more.

Alongside local stores, various community groups and organizations will have booths and information on Main Street. Visit the Schomberg Village Association, King Chamber of Commerce, Schomberg Lions, Dufferin Marsh Nature Connection, King Historical Society, King Fire and Emergency Services and the King Heritage and Cultural Centre.

To accommodate increased pedestrian traffic, Main Street will be closed to vehicular and cyclist traffic between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. from the Schomberg Community Hall (325 Main Street) to the Schomberg Lions Play Parkette (221 Main Street). Alternative parking will be available at the Green P North parking lot at 251 Western Avenue along with permitted on street parking in the community.



Mayor Steve Pellegrini, Councillors Mary Asselstine and David Boyd, along with members of the King Chamber of Commerce, helped with the ribbon cutting of Homeblondie in Schomberg.

Homeblondie brings vintage charm to Main Street

By Brittany Grecni

Schomberg's Main Street just got a little more charming.

The community gathered Oct. 1 to celebrate the grand opening and ribbon cutting of Homeblondie, a new shop owned by local resident Kate Sikura.

Located at 314 Main Street, Homeblondie is already turning heads with its warm, inviting atmosphere and unique mix of treasures. The shop is filled with beautiful antiques, vintage finds, and home goods, alongside an ever-changing selection of new items that are added weekly. Every visit promises something different – whether it's a quirky collectible, a one-of-a-kind décor piece, or a thoughtful gift.

The opening of Homeblondie is a refreshing reminder of the importance of supporting small businesses in King Township. Local shops like this not only bring character and charm to our neighbourhoods, they also help keep our downtowns vibrant and connected. When residents choose to shop locally, they are investing directly back into their community.

With its blend of nostalgia and style, Homeblondie is a perfect fit for King Township, a place that values history, creativity, and small-town spirit. As Main Street Schomberg continues to grow, this quaint new addition is sure to become a favourite spot for locals and visitors alike.

Homeblondie is now open to the public, inviting everyone to stop by, browse, and perhaps find a little treasure to take home.

York crews make 14,000+ pothole repairs

This year, York Regional roads experienced an unprecedented number of potholes due to severe weather conditions. Our dedicated road crews rose to the challenge, patrolling roads 24/7 and repairing over 14,000 potholes, surpassing last year's total of 12,500!

While pothole repairs continue year-round as needed, the busiest season is now winding down. Crews are shifting focus to fall maintenance and winter preparation, including:

- Checking and refreshing road signs to maintain visibility.
- Street sweeping.
- Guiderail and shoulder repairs.
- Stockpiling salt and sand at district facilities.
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Harvest & Healing at the King Heritage & Cultural Centre

By Brittany Grenici

The King Heritage & Cultural Centre welcomed residents Oct. 4 for a unique afternoon of learning, reflection, and giving back. The event, Harvest & Healing: Community Garden Harvest & Sweetgrass Mist Workshop, was hosted in partnership with the Ecological Farmers Association of Ontario (EFAO) and educator Tanya Gluvakov.

The gathering invited community members to explore the Centre's sacred medicine garden and participate in its fall harvest, with a focus on two traditional plants: sage and sweet grass. Under Gluvakov's guidance, participants learned about the cultural significance, uses, and healing benefits of both medicines. She also demonstrated how to respectfully harvest and bundle them, ensuring each step honoured tradition and intention.

One of the highlights of the workshop was the hands-on activity of creating infusion mists with freshly harvested sweet grass. Each participant created a handmade mist, carrying both the soothing scent of the medicine and a reminder of the deep cultural roots behind it.

The purpose of this initiative went beyond education. All harvested sage and sweet grass bundles will be donated to an Indigenous Friendship Centre,

ensuring the event gave back directly to the community.

"Now that we have this garden, we want to make sure people make use of it in the way it's intended to be used and give back to the Indigenous community," said Kristi Kukk, Heritage and Cultural Programs and Volunteer Coordinator with the Township of King.

Events like Harvest & Healing not only connect residents with the land and its traditional medicines but also strengthen the Township's commitment to reconciliation, cultural awareness, and sustainable practices.



Vendors sought for One of a King Market

Are you a local artisan, crafter or small business looking to showcase your unique, handmade or one-of-a-kind products? King Township is currently accepting vendor applications for its annual One of a King Handmade Holiday Market, planned for Saturday, Nov. 22 and Sunday, Nov. 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the King Township Municipal Centre.

Treasures the Township is looking to feature include handmade crafts, art, jewelry, clothing, accessories, holiday decorations, home goods, specialty food and beverages, and more.

Connect with holiday shoppers seeking unique gifts at this festive community event, while networking with other local vendors and small businesses.

The 2024 One of a King event featured more than 25 vendors selling a range of handcrafted items, from farm-fresh honey and baked goods to soaps, candles, and quilts and attracted over 500 shoppers across the two-day event.

This is an indoor event and space is limited. Below are some need-to-know details for interested vendors:

Six-foot spaces can be purchased for \$100 and twelve-foot spaces for \$175.

Individual chair rentals are available for \$5. Access to hydro can be purchased for \$10.

Vendors are required to bring their own tablecloth and any props required for their table set-up.

Set up is from 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 22 (Show opens at 10 a.m.)

Vendors selling any food items are also required to submit the York Region Vendor Application Form via email to health.inspectors@york.ca.

All fees are subject to HST and must be paid to the Township by November 7. Acceptable payment methods include cheque or credit card. The cost covers vendor participation for the entire two-day period; the option to opt out of one day and pay a reduced fee is not available.

Interested vendors can register online now or complete the vendor application below and send via email to events@king.ca by Friday, Nov. 7.

For more information about this event, visit king.ca/OneOfAKing.

CHATS presents 3rd Amazing Adventure – Disco Duck style

CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors – is thrilled to announce the return of its 3rd annual signature event, The Amazing Adventure, taking place on Sunday, Oct. 19.

This one-of-a-kind event that is Driven by Neighbour Media, brings families, friends, businesses, and community groups together for a fun-filled day of discovery, challenges, and community spirit, all in support of local seniors.

This year, The Amazing Adventure is turning up the groove with a new Disco theme with ducks added to the mix. Participants are encouraged to dress the part in bell bottoms, sequined tops, leisure suits, or shiny blazers to keep the '70s spirit alive.

The route has been refreshed for 2025, taking teams through the scenic towns of Aurora, Oak Ridges, Stouffville, and Newmarket. Adventurers will navigate through checkpoints, solve puzzles, conquer challenges, while raising awareness and funds for CHATS' vital in-home services for seniors.

The Amazing Adventure is not just about checkpoints and challenges- it's about creating unforgettable memories. As participant Juliane Goyette explains: "I've done the CHATS Amazing Adventure the past few years and it's such a blast – a day full of laughs, friendly competition, and making memories with friends, all while supporting an incredible cause."

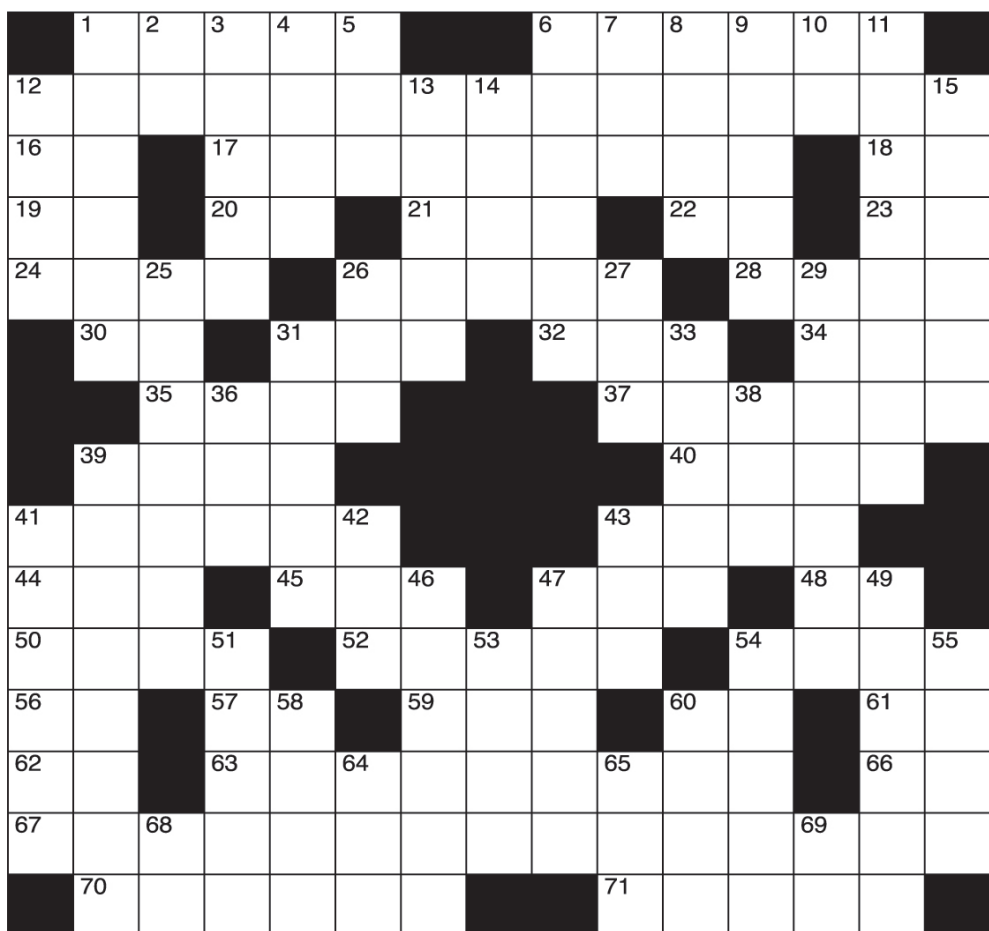
The event will begin at the CHATS head office in Aurora and wrap up with dinner and prizes at Market Brewing Company in Newmarket, where participants will celebrate their victories and share stories from the road.

Registration is now open. Teams are encouraged to sign up early to secure their spot in this highly anticipated community event 2025 – The Amazing Adventure. To register, visit <https://raceroster.com/events/2025/108538/the-amazing-adventure-2025>.

For more information contact: mshaher@chats.on.ca.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Martial arts in China
6. The butt of jokes
12. Nevertheless
16. Sportscaster Michaels
17. A firm believer
18. Atomic #18
19. One's bestie
20. Of I
21. Hamburger accessory
22. Thus
23. Partner to Pa
24. Scottish tax
26. Cuts away
28. Require
30. Government lawyer
31. Own (Scottish)
32. Body cavity
34. Brew
35. Young woman (French)
37. Platforms
39. Pair of points in mathematics
40. Attack suddenly

41. Aviators
43. Make perfect
44. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
45. Neither
47. The center of a city
48. Sacrifice hit in baseball
50. Singer Redding
52. Dragged forcibly
54. Puncture with a knife
56. Belonging to me
57. Expresses surprise
59. Haul
60. The Golden State
61. Biblical Sumerian city
62. Integrated circuit
63. Opposed to certain principles
66. Sodium
67. Qualities
70. Walk
71. It awaits us all

CLUES DOWN

1. Ate quickly
2. Peyton Manning's alma mater
3. Moves through water
4. Run away from
5. Utah resident
6. Natural objects
7. Children's game
8. Obligation to prove
9. Ancient Greek building for performances
10. Soldier
11. Decorated
12. Catches
13. Russell __, author
14. Speak indistinctly
15. Students get them
25. Japanese warrior
26. Dessert
27. Doleful
29. Most cushy
31. Moon crater
33. Small evergreen
- Arabian tree
36. Something fugitives are "on"

38. 007's creator
39. Paintings on hinged panels
41. Type of bomb
42. Japanese classical theater
43. U.S. gov't department
46. Flightless bird
47. One who cuts wood or stone
49. Buttock and thigh together
51. A way to gather
53. Body part
54. Argentinian city
55. Undergarments
58. Jai __, sport
60. Container for shipping
64. Type of screen
65. Get free of
68. Indicates position
69. Business department

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Aurora, King and Whitchurch-Stouffville commemorate 100th anniversary of Cenotaph

By Brock Weir

They do not answer.

Such was the reply on Friday afternoon as Aurora Mayor Tom Mrakas, Stouffville Mayor Iain Lovatt, and King Township Councillor Avia Eek read the names of men from each municipality who paid the ultimate sacrifice for King & Country in the First World War.

Residents from Aurora, King, and Whitchurch-Stouffville gathered at the Aurora Peace Park Oct. 3 to rededicate the Cenotaph, 100 years to the day that the three communities came together to dedicate it the first time, a time when the names carved into the stone were still very much in raw, living memory.

Each name forever memorialized on the Cenotaph was read out under golden autumn sunlight on Friday as dignitaries from all levels of government, community organizations, and more, laid wreaths at the landmark as a selection of the same hymns and prayers read out at the same spot a century earlier, were renewed by church leaders representing the three municipalities.

The ceremony was followed by a reception at the Aurora branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, where Mayor Mrakas said the Cenotaph remained a “lasting reminder” of the sacrifices made by the 71 men whose names, etched on the stone, still stand a century on in mute testimony to the sacrifices made in war.

“It is almost impossible to fathom what was asked of them,” said Mayor Mrakas. “Most were in their early- and mid-twenties, some as young as 18. Called into battle to serve their country during the First World War, they answered with courage and bravery well beyond their years, in unimaginable and horrific conditions. And that really is at the heart of this 100th anniversary, to say their names out loud as we did earlier at the Peace Park and to forever honour the sacrifices that they made. We also remember their families, friends and neighbours who grieved their loss.

“The reality is that a century ago our communities were all quite small and undoubtedly every resident was touched by the tragedy of losing these young men. The weight of that loss was carried collectively, leaving a mark on our towns that could never be forgotten. But the story of sacrifice did

not end with those 71 young men. It has continued through many conflicts since. That’s why we must never forget the sacrifices and contributions of all veterans who have served this country, from Korea to Afghanistan and so many other places around the globe. As much as today is about honouring those who served, it is also about celebrating the story of how this memorial came to be and the people in our communities who made sure those sacrifices would never be forgotten.”

The vision for the Cenotaph, one of the largest in Ontario, began to take shape in the early 1920s when community leaders Sir William Mulock and Herbert Fleury joined forces with a committee to create a memorial where the three communities could come and grieve together.

“Our communities all have a proud military history, one we honour deeply, and we are just as proud of our tradition, of the memorialization, and of the enduring pursuit of peace that binds us together,” Mayor Mrakas continued. “Today, as we rededicate the War Memorial on its 100th anniversary, we come together in reflection to reaffirm our commitment to remember those who served, their enduring dedication, and their great sacrifice to achieve peace. As all of us leave here today, let us carry forward their memory in the way we live together, in peace, unity, and shared purpose.”

Reflections were also offered by Newmarket-Aurora MP Sandra Cobena, Aurora-Oak Ridges-Richmond Hill MP Costas Menegakis, MPP Michael Parsa and Councillor Eek, and Councillor Hugo Kroon of Stouffville.

“For a century, this monument has stood as a living memory of sacrifice,” said Cobena. “Each name carved tells a story of courage and devotion – young men and women who left their families behind so that we can enjoy the freedom that we have today. Tonight, we remember not only those who served, but also the families and communities that carried their loss. The peace and democracy we cherish came at a great cost. Let us ensure their legacy lives on in our remembrance, gratitude and action.”

Following remarks from MP Menegakis, who shared a letter of recognition from Opposition Leader Pierre Poilievre, MPP Parsa said the monu-



ment continues to be at the “heart of the community” as a gathering spot to remember.

“As we stand here today, we recognize not only the courage of the individuals who served and who answered the call to service, but also the resilience of families and communities they fought to protect,” he said. “Their legacy lives on in the peace and freedom that we all cherish today – and all of us must do everything we can so that the younger generation understands the weight of the sacrifices and the importance of carrying forward the spirit of service.

“Today’s anniversary reminds us that peace is worth defending and this is an opportunity to honour those who stood up to defend it.”

It was also a time to reflect on a century of collaboration between Aurora, King, and Whitchurch-Stouffville not only in the creation of the monument whose milestone was commemorated last week, but in the development of the commemoration itself, which has been a joint effort between the towns, the Aurora Museum & Archives, the Aurora Historical Society, and more. Above and beyond Friday’s ceremony, these efforts have included masonry restoration, correcting the spelling of a soldier’s name, and, ongoing, a street banner program, an on-site exhibition, and much more. The addition of a memorial to Indigenous soldiers will cap the commemorations next year.

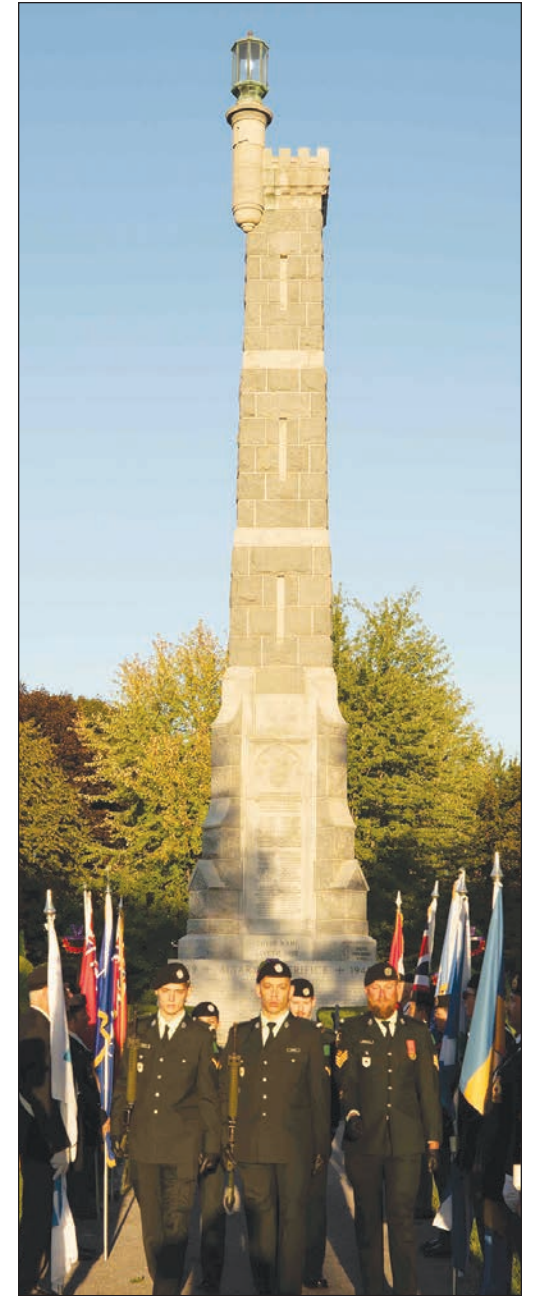
“As we commemorate 100 years of remembrance, we also recognize the collaborative efforts that have preserved and enhanced this memorial for future generations,” said Councillor Eek. “The addition of commemorative banners and plans for an Indigenous Veterans Memorial reflect our shared commitment to inclusive remembrance. Thank you to the Aurora Legion, our municipal partners, and all of those who contributed to this centennial celebration. Let this rededication reaffirm our promise to honour the fallen, support our veterans, and ensure that the legacy of service is never forgotten.”

Last word, in a full circle moment, went to Bill Fleury, whose great uncle, Herbert, was key in the Cenotaph’s development.

“Herbert Fleury had a long career

as a manufacturer, mayor, and even horticulturalist in Aurora,” said Bill “I am certain he would greatly appreciate today’s commemoration. It mirrors the remarkable community efforts by people in Aurora, King, and Stouffville, who in their grief after World War I insisted on building one of the first, and I would think, I think one of the most impressive war memorials in Ontario.”

Photos, such as those now on street banners in the three towns commemorating the men memorialized on the monument, “are a human touch that remind us of the individual sacrifice of these men and the losses their families and friends suffered.”



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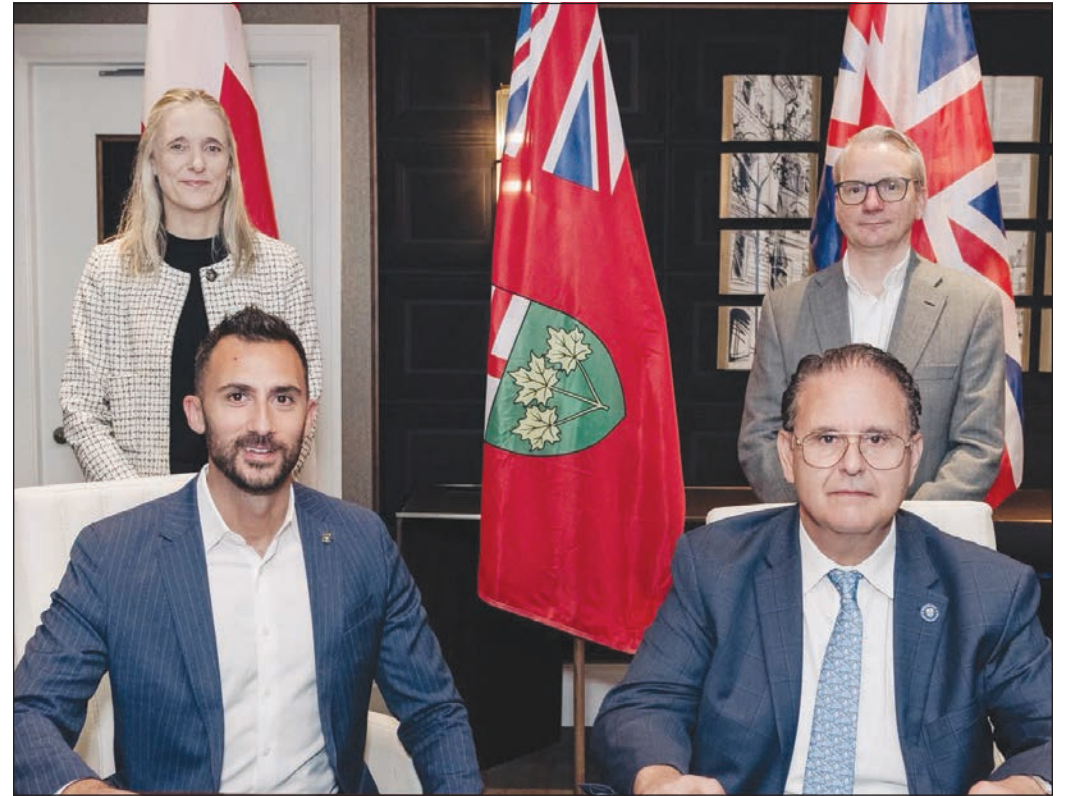
Ontario and United Kingdom sign groundbreaking clean energy partnership

At the recent International Tritium Conference, Minister Stephen Lecce announced that Ontario Power Generation (OPG) and the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA) Group have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Ontario to work toward supplying tritium – a critical fuel for nuclear fusion – to support the UKAEA’s world-leading fusion research and energy development projects.

The agreement delivers on the government’s plan to protect Ontario by leveraging the province’s nuclear advantage to create more export opportunities that support good-paying jobs and build a more competitive, resilient and self-reliant economy in the face of U.S. tariffs.

Under the agreement, OPG will work toward providing a secure and reliable supply of tritium to fuel the UKAEA’s cutting-edge fusion research and facilities, solidifying Ontario’s position as an international leader in the nuclear energy sector. Additionally, the MOU will also support local fusion energy development projects in Ontario and Canada, creating valuable opportunities for local industries and supply chain partners to participate and benefit from new fusion energy projects.

“This historic agreement cements Ontario’s long-standing role at the forefront of next generation nuclear energy,” said Minister Lecce. “From building the G7’s first Small Modular Reactor (SMR) to powering breakthroughs in fusion and medical isotopes, Ontario is



Kim Lauritsen, SVP, Enterprise Strategy and Growth, OPG (L behind Minister), Steve Wheeler, Executive Director, Fusion Technology, United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA), and Rudy Cuzzetto.

Food Bank extends thanks

As Thanksgiving weekend approaches, the King Township Food Bank would like to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude to the incredible community that makes our work possible. As a 100% volunteer-run, not-for-profit organization, we rely entirely on the kindness, compassion, and generosity of our neighbours. We have the best community.

To our volunteers: thank you. You are the heart and hands of the food bank. Whether you’re sorting food, helping with deliveries, or organizing events, your time and energy make all the difference.

To our donors, supporters, and champions: thank you. Because of you, families in our community don’t have to face food insecurity alone. Whether it’s in times of financial strain, job loss, illness, or crisis, you help us be there, exactly when we’re needed most.

And to our Sip & Savour ticket holders: thank you. This signature event not only brings us together in celebration, it sustains us year-round. Your ticket purchases and donations are more than a night of fun; they are a direct investment in your community.

This year’s Sip & Savour is shaping up to be something special! With an “Oh! Canada” theme, we’re planning a celebration that showcases the very best of Canadian spirit, music, and generosity. Join us on Thursday, Oct. 23, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Cardinal Golf

Club for an evening of fun and fundraising.

We’re thrilled to welcome Strange Potatoes as this year’s live entertainment! Known for their engaging performances, they’ll be playing an all-Canadian set list and taking live requests in exchange for donations. It’s a fun, interactive way to support a vital cause while enjoying familiar tunes.

Beyond the music, our dedicated volunteers have curated three incredible auctions: live, silent, and online. From sports tickets and local experiences to original works by nationally-acclaimed King artists, there’s something for everyone. Whether you’re treating yourself or shopping early for the holidays, every bid helps neighbours in need.

We truly couldn’t do this without you. Every dollar raised, every item donated, and every hour volunteered helps ensure that no one in our community goes without. Sip & Savour is more than a fundraiser. It’s a celebration of what we can accomplish together.

This Thanksgiving, we are thankful for all of you and hope to see you at Oh! Canada on Thursday, Oct. 23. Tickets are available online at Sip & Savour 2025 – King Township Food Bank and in person at Dorio’s Kettleby Italian Bakery.

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leading the world’s clean energy future. We’re exporting our expertise, creating jobs at home and showing the world what energy security looks like.”

Sourced from Ontario’s CANDU reactors, tritium is extracted from heavy water during routine CANDU operations. As tritium decays, it produces Helium-3 (He-3), an extremely rare and valuable isotope that’s powering breakthroughs in quantum computing and holds promise as a future fuel for fusion reactors.

The UKAEA leads the world’s largest publicly funded research and development program, dedicated to making fusion energy a scalable, commercial reality. Tritium supplied by OPG could play a major role in advancing major UKAEA research projects and the UKIFS, including the Spherical Tokamak for Energy Production programme, a prototype fusion energy powerplant using advanced technology to prove the commercial viability of fusion technology by the early 2040s.

“Ontario Power Generation is proud to build on our world-class leadership in producing life-saving medical isotopes and our 50-plus year history of operating safe, clean and reliable nu-

clear power generation,” said Kim Lauritsen, OPG Senior Vice President, Enterprise Strategy and Growth. “This agreement demonstrates how OPG is leveraging Ontario’s isotope and nuclear expertise to support and power the promise of nuclear fusion.”

“OPG has played a critical part in enabling the fundamental fusion research that has become a foundation for the international fusion community,” said Steve Wheeler, Executive Director of Fusion Technology, UKAEA. “This MOU strengthens UKAEA’s strategic relationship with the Government of Ontario and OPG to drive progress toward delivering future fusion powerplants.”

Ontario’s nuclear reactors produce isotopes that are used globally in health care, energy, and advanced industrial applications.

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Residents come together at Kingtoberfest celebration



A perfect fall evening greeted visitors to the second annual Kingtoberfest, presented by Zancor Homes. The event, held at Cold Creek Conservation area, offered German-inspired food, drink, live music and traditional games. A German cover band and dancers set the ambiance, performing under the pavilion.

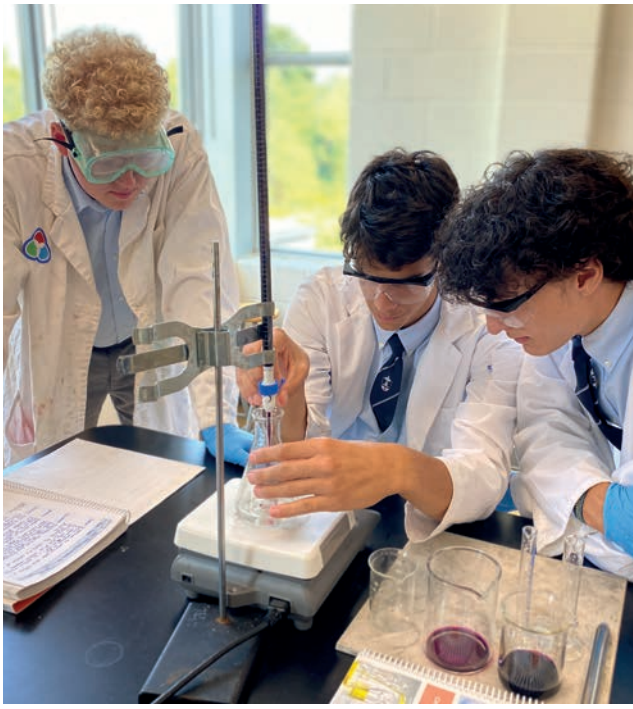
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Kettleby Women's Institute members having fun with a best hat made of kitchen utensils contest! From left: Sadie Billings, Dora Conover, Lillian West, Nora Blackburn, Audrey Schmidt, Anne Sproule, Peggy Blatchford and Grace Burns; circa 1950s.

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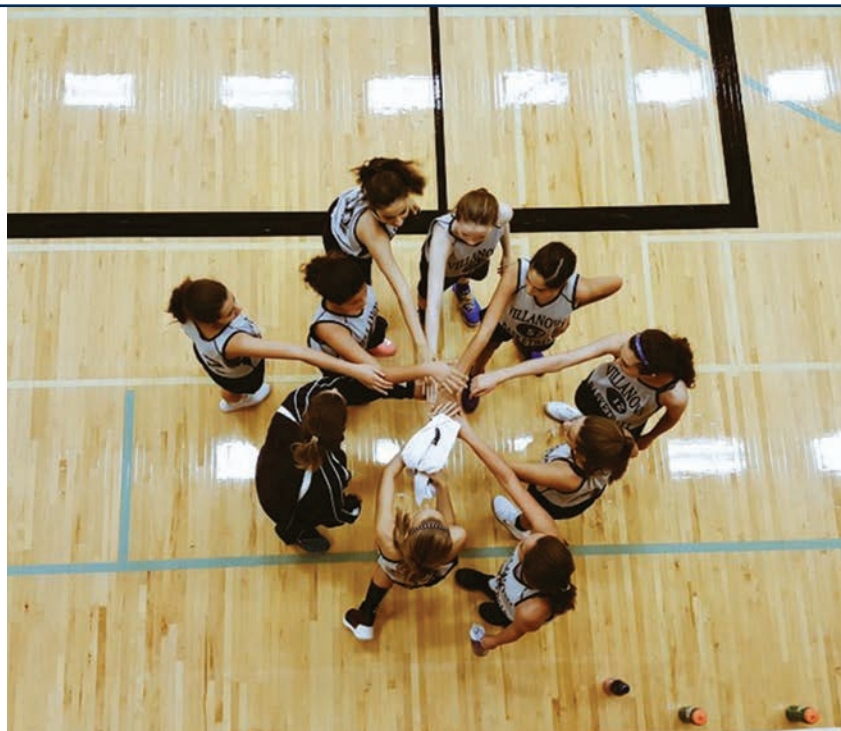
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King Rebellion chalks up third home victory

By Jim Stewart

The King Junior A Rebellion won its third home game in a row with a decisive 5-1 victory over the Buffalo Junior Sabres on Sunday afternoon at the Zancor Centre.

A key factor in the team's recent success has been the fine netminding of Owen Edwards. The rookie's performance on Sunday was no exception. Edwards, who was runner-up as the OJHL's Goaltender of the Month for September, made three big breakaway saves on short-handed scoring attempts by the visitors that could have turned the tide of the game. His ability to bail out his teammates was complimented by Rebellion Assistant Captain and leading scorer Ryan Fairbairn: "If we make mistakes, he's like a brick wall back there. He gives us extra space and we can take more risks on power plays because he's been so good at making the big saves for us if we get caught."

After allowing a first period goal to high-scoring Buffalo forward Joey Banas, Edwards lowered his OJHL-leading GAA to 1.34 by shutting down Banas and the Sabres the rest of the way. It was Edwards's third consecutive stellar performance on home ice. The Oshawa native blanked Cobourg and Niagara Falls by identical scores of 3-0 during his previous two Sunday afternoon starts at Zancor. Fairbairn – the veteran leader of the defence corps – was succinct in his praise of Edwards's string of home wins: "Owen

fills our team with confidence."

It was a confident Rebellion squad that took the ice on Sunday afternoon. Less than four minutes into the contest and on a delayed penalty to Buffalo, King opened the scoring. Defender Kieran Riley fired a shot just inside the blue line that was deflected deftly by Owen Bruining and past Buffalo's bamboozled goalkeeper Owen Scott. It was Bruining's team-leading sixth of the season.

With Sabre Marek Brozyna in the box for tripping at 6:18, King forward Jared McNeil found open space in the offensive zone and fired one off the left goal post. The puck caromed off the post, struck the back of Scott's jersey, and bounced over the goal line to give the Rebellion a 2-0 lead at 7:22. Fairbairn earned his team-leading tenth assist on McNeil's power play marker.

Although Banas's 10th goal of the season at 8:42 moved the Sabre winger into fifth place in the OJHL scoring race and narrowed the visitors' deficit to 2-1, Edwards stymied the Sabres for the rest of the period.

Five minutes into the middle frame, Rebellion rookie forward Lachland Larmand was set free down the right wing with a lead pass by linemate Adam Smeeton. Larmand made a power move off the right wing, cut sharply to the front of the net, and slid the puck beneath the sprawled Scott into the lower right corner of the net to extend King's lead to 3-1.

Larmand's silky mitts were on dis-

play again at 7:29 when he chipped the puck over Scott during a goalmouth scramble initiated by McNeil and Smeeton who both earned assists on their linemate's second of the period. Fairbairn assessed Larmand's two-goal uprising that helped the Rebellion take control of the contest: "He's an '09, but he's so skilled and a natural goal scorer for sure. As a true rookie, he's doing amazing for us. Lots of teams in this league are after that kind of player."

Larmand just missed a natural hat trick when he rang one of the crossbar with seven minutes left in the second period, but the Rebellion skated into the second intermission with a comfortable 4-1 lead.

Edwards flashed the leather on a breakaway two minutes into the final frame to keep the visitors from gaining momentum. With 3:15 left in the contest, Buffalo Head Coach Sean Wallace pulled Scott for the extra attacker, but Rebellion forward Max Anderson foiled the Sabres' stratagem when he fired the puck into the empty net from between the circles to give the home side its four-goal margin of victory.

Fairbairn, as the club's most experienced defenceman and team leader, explained the keys to victory versus fifth-place Buffalo (6-3-1-2): "Our coaching staff gave us a great game plan and we stuck to it. We were all about getting the puck out of our own end and working hard down low on offense. We worked really hard all week at practice and our compete level in practice transferred to our games this week. We're capitalizing on our systems."

With their sixth win in eight games, King's Junior A Club continued its steady movement up the OJHL West standings with the fifth-best winning percentage (.636) in the twelve-team division.

Although King was edged 2-0 by the first-place Menace in Milton on Friday night, the Rebellion fired three power play goals on Thursday night to defeat the Admirals 3-2 in Caledon.



King Rebellion's rookie forward Lachland Larmand (92) is pursued by two Buffalo Junior Sabres. Larmand tallied two in King's 5-1 win.

Bruining scored the game-winner at 6:41 of the third period with Caledon's Xavvier Rowe in the sin bin for roughing. King's leading goal scorer one-timed a sharp pass from McNeil behind Caledon goaltender James Meredith for his fifth of the season. It was McNeil's third power play point of the night.

The Rebellion opened the scoring on the power play with 1:49 left in a chippy first period. Larmond finished a pass from Fairbairn and McNeil by firing the puck past Meredith.

McNeil's power play marker at 11:52 of the second period gave King a 2-1 lead. Smeeton and Fairbairn earned assists on McNeil's go-ahead goal.

The Rebellion (7-4-0-0) will depart for a four-game road trip to Markham (3-5-1-1), North York (0-12-0-1), Aurora (3-6-0-0), and Stouffville (8-2-0-0) before returning home to host the Leamington Flyers (8-1-0-0) on Sunday, Oct. 19. Puck drop at the Zancor Centre is 3 p.m.

Curlers hit the ice for another season

By Shellee Morning
King Curling Club

The wait is over, the sound of the Hurry Hard is back!

And it's back with a fresh energy since the playoff season of last spring. King Curling opened its 2025-26 season this past week with enthusiastic curlers beginning league play with new faces, new teams and new friendships.

The Men's league was the first to play with a roster of 17 teams. New to the league are 4 rookies that once were a part of the club's Junior Program – Jonathon Brunato, Matthew Murphy, Matthew Harbridge and Skip Ben Harbridge. The boys, who also have parents that curled in the club, have gained their curling skills and knowledge through the ranks of the Little Rocks and then Juniors.

Their game opener was against veteran Larry Sheardown and his long time squad of Bryce Clark, Gino DiFabo and Wayne Rhind. The young ones held their own rock for rock executing their shots in their debut to the men's league completing the game with a well-deserved tie. This team will definitely be a team who will grab attention and turn up the heat in the men's division.

Other winners included Gerrits, Davis, S. Allan, Barber, Inglis, T. Allen and Pelland.

Tuesday is ladies night and the league welcomes 12 teams into a new 2-Tier Format with an A Division and a B Division. A brand new team, straight from the Adult-Learn-To-Curl program, that includes Lindsay Browning, Leanne Wilkes, Charlene McMann and Shonaugh Campbell Berry arrived with a sharp keenness to the game and an enthusiastic personality that will benefit as the games go on. Winners of the A division were Gorsline, Stronach, and Hamilton. Teams Cairns and deWinter found the victory while Teams Jordan Holmes and Debbie Holmes finished in a tie.

Thursday Mixed league is a group of the best of the best men/womens teams of club curling. Twelve teams fulfill this year's roster and while some of the teams are sporting new changes to their line-up, the competitive spirit has not changed. The loud echoing calls are as crisp and energetic as they were last season. Every team will have their goals in place whether its person-



al bests or team improvements, but the outcome for all, will all be the same, to be league champion.

Last week Teams Gerrits, Morning, Barber, Kolody, Steenhoek and Mussato were all victorious in their league opener. The teams were so close in equal parity last season, it is fully expected to continue this season and promises to be a very exciting year of curling.

This past weekend two teams from King participated in a very highly competitive spiel in Alliston as a warm-up to the competition season ahead. The two-day event welcomed teams from Barrie, York, Alliston, and King. Team Sylvain Pelland, Veronica Wilson, and Trevor and Kim Battershell won the B group. Team Shellee Morning, Calvin Cameron, Greg Switzer and Mark Cameron won the D group.

In Memory of a Legend

Long-time curler Julie Oakley who was an original member of the Schomberg Curling Club then of course with the King Curling Club, passed away peacefully after a valiant and courageous battle of cancer this past week.

Julie was an advocate and coach with club's Little Rock/Juniors curling program, who spent endless hours of her valuable time as a volunteer and was genuinely loved by all who knew her. Julie had a contagious smile and a laughter that will be truly missed. As members of the curling club, we will always remember her leadership and true kindness she shared throughout the King Curling Club and the community. The entire King Curling Club sends its very deepest condolences to her husband Brennan and her entire family.

Cougars edge Port Perry Lumberjacks 3-2

By Jim Stewart

The Schomberg Cougars skated to their best win of the season by downing the third-place Lumberjacks 3-2 in Port Perry on Sunday afternoon.

The Lumberjacks' Dylan Leslee opened the scoring at 9:36 of the first period, but Aiden Miller's goal at 15:42, assisted by Michael Ciaravella and Gavin Crane, pulled the Cougars into a 1-1 tie before the first intermission.

Two consecutive goals by Schomberg – Samuel Lamey at 4:11 of the second and Brandon Scott from Jack Geniole at 18:24 of the third – staked the visitors to a 3-1 lead. Scott, who leads the Cougars in scoring with 7 points, fired his third goal of the season and his first game-winner.

With 13 seconds on the clock, Port Perry's Raine Nadeau narrowed Schomberg's lead to 3-2, but Cougars' goaltender Ryan Potvin held the fort to earn the W. Potvin turned aside 33 of the 35 shots he faced.

The Cougars earned a point against the Little Britain Merchants on Thursday night in a 4-3 overtime loss at the Trisan Centre. Dawson Boily, Tommy Jackson, and Aiden Robinson-Vincent scored for Schomberg.

The fifth-place Cougars (3-4-1-0) host the fourth-place Clarington Eagles (3-2-2-0) on Thursday, Oct. 9. Puck drop at the Trisan Centre is 7:30 p.m.



MPP Lecce supports Rangers car wash

Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan, stopped by the Vaughan Rangers U13AA Car Wash in support of the hockey team. "As a proud Vaughan Ranger alumni, I was excited to support the team at their annual car wash," said Lecce. "I thanked the players and their parents for giving back on and off the ice."

King's Corners

King City United By Sheryl Sinka

This Sunday, October 12th we celebrate and invite all to express gratitude and generosity on Thanksgiving Sunday at 10:00 am with Rev Andrew leading our worship. We are asking for items for the food bank, to be brought to worship and left in the front narthex. Items needed can be found on the Food Bank Website kffb.ca. We will be collecting food until Sunday October 19th. We would like everyone to know that the church does have an accessible entrance and lift to the auditorium floor for anyone needing this assistance.

If there are any pastoral emergencies please leave a message at the office at 905-833-5181.

Please remember the King Township Food bank in your givings. Year round, for those who use the food bank, support is an expression of kindness and generosity for which so many are grateful. We encourage you to continue to help with donations of food or financial donations for the many needing assistance.

King Bible Church

Join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. for our Sunday Worship service. Pastor Mark will be speaking on our series in Hebrews "Greater." We will also be streaming the service online at 10:30 a.m. on Facework and You Tube.

Our next Open Closet Outlet will be Saturday, Oct. 18 at 9:30 a.m.

Please visit our website for links and further information: www.kincardineshire.com

If you have any questions please email: Lisa Lethargus (lisa@kincardineshire.com), Administrative Assistant, King Bible Church, 1555 King Rd, King City, 905-833-5104.

King City Seniors (55+) By Carolyn Kaunitz

Upcoming events at KCSC:

Friday, October 10 – 10 a.m. – Workshop – Artist, Angela Del Borello, will provide a hands-on workshop creating decoupage pumpkins. Cost is \$10/pp.

Thursday, October 16 – 4 p.m. – Grand Opening of the landscaped backyard at King City Seniors Centre. Guests in-

clude all three levels of government. Come out and see what outdoor activities are now available for members.

Friday, October 17 – 11:30 a.m. – Potluck Lunch – Note the new start time. Each attendee is asked to bring either a main course item or a dessert item to share. Enjoy a great buffet with friends.

Monday, October 20 – Hear Canada will be providing free hearing assessments at KCSC from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. There will be a lunch break from 1 to 2 p.m. Sessions are 15 minutes each and must be booked by calling 905-833-6565.

Wednesday, October 22 – 1 p.m. – Jason and Jenny from Kingswood Garden have been more than generous keeping KCSC looking beautiful. Jenny will be offering some advice on closing our gardens. Sign up and come out to support Jenny as her family has supported us.

Friday, October 24 – 10 a.m. – Cooking Demo – Rose will teach us how to make delicious cannoli. We will enjoy the finished product with our coffee and tea. Cost is \$5/pp. Registration is due by October 17.

The following activities will be offered at the King City Senior Centre.

Monday mornings: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters.

Monday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Music and Movement/ Cribbage. Monday afternoons: 2 p.m. – Crochet class.

Tuesday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Line Dancing (on hold, will resume Oct. 28). Bone Fitness, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Tuesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Bid Euchre.

Wednesday mornings: 10 a.m., 11 a.m. – Mobility Matters.

Wednesday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Standard American Bridge.

Thursday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Gentle Motion (similar to Tai Chi).

Thursday afternoons; 1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling

Friday mornings: 9:30 a.m. – Art Class (2nd & 4th Friday of the month at Lasky Hall).

Friday afternoons: 1 p.m. – Progressive Euchre.

You may contact KCSC at 905-833-6565 or kinglily.seniors@glial.com

York Pines United Church

This Sunday is Thanksgiving with Rick McKinley presiding. Attendees are invited to bring harvest vegetables or flowers to decorate the sanctuary or something you're grateful for. Feel free

to join us for coffee or tea at noon. It's also Hungry Sunday where donations to the Food Bank are appreciated especially dry spaghetti and canned fruit. You can drop off donations at the front door in a plastic bag pandemic-style.

The congregational meeting planned for last Sunday is postponed until later this month or early next. More details will follow.

Schomberg AA meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are held weekly at Suburban North at 116 Church St. They're held every Monday and Thursday in-person at 7:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Church

Holy Name School Mass Friday, Oct. 10 at 9:20 a.m. in the school gymnasium.

Invitation to join the Public Rosary Rally on Saturday, Oct. 11 at 11:45 a.m. We will begin at noon at Mary Lake in front of the statue of Mother Mary. There will be 1,500 rallies across Canada at that time. Everyone is invited to attend! Also, after Holy Mass at 5 p.m. we will pray the Holy Rosary to honour our Blessed Mother.

The Restless Outreach Ministry to support feeding the hungry on October 17. Donations of store-bought passata and oven ready lasagna sheets, mozzarella cheese, granola bars, fruit cups, tuna, peanut butter jam and juice boxes are needed. Join us in the Parish Hall Friday, October 17 following 7:00 pm mass to prepare this donated food for distribution.

We are looking for volunteers to help with the fall cemetery clean-up. Those wishing to help please

meet at the Sacred Heart Cemetery on Saturday, October 18 at 9:00 am. Please bring gardening and brush/tree trimming tools if you have any.

Join us for Coffee & Friendship in the Hall after 8:30 and 10:30 Holy Mass. Thank you to the CWL for the delicious baked goods this past Sunday for coffee. It is great to be together in a released loving community.

St. Andrew's By Kathy Patterson

All are welcome to St. Andrew's, Presbyterian Church, King City! Our Thanksgiving Sunday Morning Worship Service is at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary and join us afterwards for coffee time. The Well Church will join us.

Last weekend was perfect weather for the two churches to host our Community Family Fun Event at St. Andrew's. Lots of fun, food, families, and folks! Then on Sunday, The Well with Bolton, Vaughan and King City campuses celebrated their 20th anniversary with us outside and inside the sanctuary on World Communion Sunday!

Our website is standrews-kingcity.ca. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving next weekend! We have so much to be grateful for.

For pastoral care, please call the office to speak with the Rev. Alison Agnew, or your Elder. (905-833-2325).

All Saints Anglican Church By Kit Woods

As the leaves turn and the air takes on the crisp scent of autumn, All Saints Anglican Church invites the community to gather for a Service of Thanksgiving on Sunday, Oct. 12 at 10:30 a.m.

Thanksgiving is a sacred opportunity to pause, to remember the gifts we've been given, and to give thanks for the beauty that surrounds us. We give thanks for family, friends, food, and the quiet blessings that sustain us through every season. In a world that moves quickly, this service offers a time to slow down, breathe deeply, and offer gratitude to God for the abundance of life.

Our Thanksgiving celebration will include joyful music, scripture, and prayer, as well as a warm spirit of community. Whether this season has been filled with joy or challenge, we come together to give thanks not because everything is perfect, but because gratitude transforms how we see the world. It reminds us that grace and goodness are still present, even in difficult times.

After the service, all are welcome to stay for a time of fellowship and conversation. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with neighbours, meet new friends, and share in the spirit of the season.

At All Saints Anglican Church, we believe that gratitude is best expressed together in worship, in service, and in love. We invite everyone, no matter where you are on your journey of faith, to join us for this special service of Thanksgiving. Come as you are, bring your gratitude, and be part of a community that celebrates life's blessings with open hearts and open hands.

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Scoop from Schomberg

By Susan Heslop

It almost seems like someone up there is listening to my pleas and stretching summer, well into fall. This past weekend we set a record with the first 30C temperature reached in the month of October ever! I can happily say that I'm thrilled with the warmer weather, and it wouldn't be upset if it lasted till Christmas. I know, it's an unpopular notion with some, but I'm just not a fan of winter.

This weekend is Thanksgiving, and I hope that everyone has a wonderful time with their friends, family or anyone you're spending the holiday with. It's always good to be grateful and thankful, but this weekend is a chance to reflect on all the blessings and good fortune you have. Happy Thanksgiving and don't forget to wear the stretchy "Thanksgiving pants" for dinner.

King Township is having another electronics recycling day, Saturday, Oct. 25, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Zancor Centre. The event is free, and you can dispose of any unwanted electronics, such as TVs, computers, cameras, printers. For details check out king.ca/ElectronicsRecycling

King Township Food Bank

Tickets are now on sale at KTFB.ca for the 12th Annual Sip & Savour, Thursday, Oct. 23 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 p.m. at Cardinal Golf Course. The theme this year is "Oh! Canada." Enjoy the top-tapping entertainment and a festive atmosphere designed to make your spirits soar. Join us for an evening of true north fun, food, and fundraising.

Simcoe Currency Club

Interested in coin/currency collecting? Wondering how to connect with other collectors? Come out and share your interest and learn from other collectors. The Simcoe Currency Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Cookstown Curling Club (18 Church St, Cookstown) at 7 p.m. Membership is \$25 for the year.

They have exciting draws, auctions, news, and a featured speaker every

month. For more information visit their website simcoecurrencyclub.com or call 647-200-7007.

Schomberg Euchre Club

This week Euchre moves to Friday night, downstairs in Room B at Trisan, the time is still 7 to 9 p.m. The cost is \$10 for the evening or pay monthly for \$20. All you need to know is how to play (no beginners please), how to laugh, enjoy an excellent group of people and not take the game or yourself too seriously. Please note we will host our party the following week on Friday, October 10th (I had to push it back a week due to absences)

Schomberg 55+

This past Monday we had a wonderful and informative presentation by Vicky from "Yellow Brick House" on "Seniors Financial abuse." Sadly, it's more common than you think. Vicky taught us ways to protect ourselves as well as to identify and report when we have suspicions that people we know may be victims. A particularly important message.

Our next trip is Thursday, Dec. 11, where you will enjoy a five-hour visit to Niagara Fallsview Casino and receive \$35 in slot play. Performance of Christmas on Ice at 3 p.m. Then enjoy a drive through the Winter Festival of Lights before heading back to King. Cost is \$90 per person. You can register for one or both through xplor or in person at Trisan, Zancor or Nobleton Arena.

Sunday, October 19 – 8 p.m. – Outing – 'Where Dark Things Dwell' an escape room experience. Village at Black Creek.

Monday, October 20 – Speaker – Kathryn Morton, President 'Avonlea Traditions Inc' – online business.

Thursday, October 23 – Outing – Fall colour tour and lunch at the British Tea Shop, 11 Young Street, Alliston. For more information, call Lynn klbird@hotmail.com

Weekly Events

Monday afternoon – 2 p.m. – Book Club begins September 25 and meets about every 6 weeks. Currently reading "Remarkably Bright Creatures." Next meeting September 15.

Tuesday afternoons – 1:30 pm to 3:30 p.m. – Bridge –in Multi Room B at Trisan

Wednesday mornings – 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. – Bone Fitness details in Part 2.

Wednesday mornings – 9:15 to 10 a.m. – Track walking followed by coffee and meet up (Trisan Centre).

Wednesday afternoon – 2 to 4 p.m., – Mahjong –in the Curling Lounge at Trisan.

Thursday afternoons – 1 p.m. – Carpet Bowling - at Trisan. Thursday afternoons – 3 to 4:30 p.m. – The Tightly Wound ukulele group in the Multi Room B at Trisan.

Friday afternoons – 2:15 p.m. – Mobility Matters (Trisan Centre).

Annual Fee: Until the end of the year,

we will be offering \$10 per person memberships for residents, and \$20 per person for Non-residents. The fees for 2026 will increase as we eliminate the \$1 per session fee, so stay tuned

Annual fee is \$20 per person for residents, and \$25 per person for non-residents.

Again, if you find a lost dog or cat, please secure it and call Vaughan Animal Control at 905-832-2281, they are responsible for this area.

Please reach out with your events, stories of happenings or anything you would love to see here porter5952@gmail.com or 416-460-5952.

Flu, COVID-19 and RSV immunizations available

The Ontario government is protecting families and vulnerable people from respiratory illnesses by preparing to launch its fall immunization programs. To help prevent serious illness, everyone is encouraged to get their flu and COVID-19 vaccines as soon as they become available as well as RSV immunization for those eligible.

"As we head into respiratory illness season, our government is using every tool in our toolbox to protect our communities, families and our most vulnerable," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "Working with our health-care partners, we are making sure flu, COVID-19 and RSV immunizations are available close to home, where and when they are needed."

Immunizations for high-risk and priority groups will begin in phases:

COVID-19 and flu vaccines are already available.

The initial supply of flu and COVID-19 vaccines in October will be available for high-risk and priority groups who live, work or study in Ontario, including: hospitalized patients, hospital staff, residents and staff in long-term care homes, retirement homes and other congregate settings, and individuals aged 65 and older.

Ontario residents aged 60 to 74 who meet certain high-risk criteria or live in specific higher-risk settings, as well as those aged 75 and older, are eligible to receive RSV vaccines, Abrysvo® or Arexvy, as part of the province's recent expansion to the adult RSV prevention program.

Eligible newborns and infants up to eight months of age in their first RSV season and high-risk children up to

24 months of age in their second RSV season can receive the Beyfortus® immunization. Pregnant women also have the option to receive the RSV vaccine Abrysvo® which can help protect infants at birth.

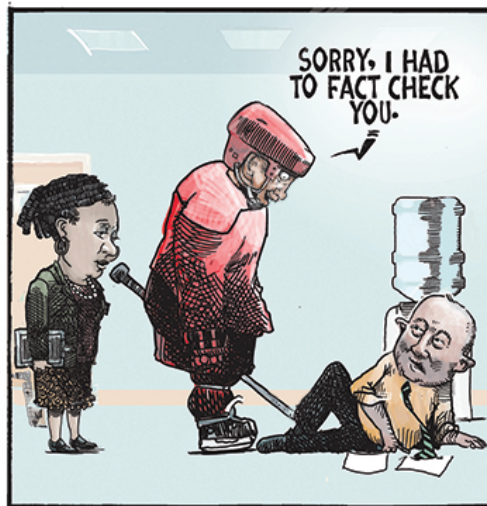
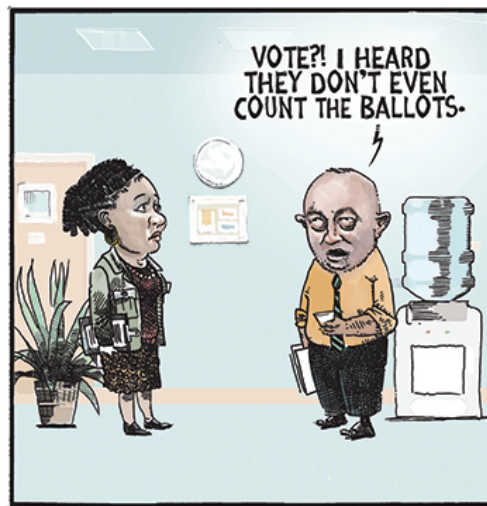
Starting October 27, free flu and COVID-19 shots will be available to the general public at participating pharmacies, some public health units and participating doctor and nurse practitioner offices.

"As we head into the fall, it's important that we take simple, effective steps to stay healthy," said Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "Staying up-to-date on seasonal vaccines is significant to protect yourself, your family and loved ones and is a cornerstone of our preparedness this respiratory season."

Vaccines in Ontario's routine immunization schedule are provided free of charge if you meet the eligibility criteria. If you are unsure about which immunizations you or your family have received or are eligible for, talk to a health-care provider or your local public health unit.

Talk to a health-care provider about co-administration of COVID-19 and flu vaccines, and for RSV if you are eligible. Availability of immunizations may vary across providers. Call ahead to ensure your provider has supply before going.

As recommended by the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI), individuals should receive the most recent formulation of the COVID-19 vaccine in the fall as it is expected to provide a better immune response against currently circulating COVID-19 strains.



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Nobleton Notes

By Angie Maccarone

St. Paul's Church
By Linda Blydorp

We invite you to join us in person for worship this Sunday at 10 a.m. Our Pastor, Jeff Loach will lead us in worship with a message, entitled, "When Pagans Believe" from Jonah 1.

We offer children's ministry and nursery during the Sunday service. After worship, you are welcome to join us for a time of fellowship over coffee and goodies. If you cannot make it in person, our live-streamed broadcasts are available directly on stpaulsnobleton.ca or on our YouTube channel each Sunday at 10 a.m., or on demand at youtube.com/stpaulschurchnobleton.

Our Junction Ministries serve our children and families each Sunday. FirstLink is our staffed ministry time with our youngest attendees, and Junction is an age-appropriate time of teaching with our elementary-aged children.

Our Youth LifeConnect Group meets every second Friday, with the next meeting being Friday, Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. This is a fun time with a range of ac-

tivities open for all ages from Grades 7 to 12. Our midweek LifeConnect small groups are a great opportunity to connect with others and grow in faith. Groups meet for discussion, study, and prayer throughout the week.

On October 19, we're going to have a special intergenerational lunch called "All Together Now", which will have special pumpkin-carving activities for kids and adults alike, with a special application from God's Word to encourage us all. We hope you'll come!

Our next Drive-Thru Prayer opportunity will be held Wednesday, October 22nd from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Come by the church parking lot at 5750 King Road and let our team of prayer warriors pray for whatever need you have.

St. Mary's Mission
St. Patrick's Parish

Mass Time Changes: St. Pat's Church - 7:45 a.m. and 9 a.m. Sunday. St. Mary's Church - 5 p.m. Saturdays; 10:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Sundays.

We also welcome you to join us to Celebrate our 15th Anniversary at our St. Mary's Champagne Gala hosted on Saturday Nov. 15 at Universal Event Space. Phone: 905-859-5522 Email: stpatandstmarysc@archtoronto.org.

Blondin, the French tightrope walker, became world-famous in June of 1859, when he walked on a tightrope stretched over quarter of a mile across the mighty Niagara Falls. He became the first person to accomplish this amazing feat. He walked across 160 feet above the waterfalls several times, each time with a different daring feat - once in a sack, on stilts, on a bicycle, in the dark, and once even carrying a stove and cooking an omelet! A large crowd gathered, and a buzz of excitement ran along both sides of the riverbank. The crowd "Oooooohed!" and "Aaaaahed!" as Blondin carefully walked across one dangerous step after another - blindfolded and pushing a wheelbarrow.

Upon reaching the other side, the crowd's applause was louder than the roar of the falls! Blondin suddenly stopped and addressed his audience: "Do you believe I can carry a person across in this wheelbarrow?" The crowd enthusiastically shouted, "Yes, yes, yes. You are the greatest tightrope walker in the world. You can do anything!" "Okay," said Blondin, "Get in the wheelbarrow."

The Blondin story goes that no one did although all had faith in his abili-

ty! Later in August of 1859, his manager, Harry Colcord, showed his faith in Blondin and did ride on Blondin's back across the Falls.

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges his disciples to have such a Faith in him so that God can work miracles through them and in their lives.

Joke of the week: Father's Day was near when a mother brought her three-year-old son, Tyler, to the card store. Inside, she showed him the cards for dads and told him to pick one. When she looked back, Tyler was picking up one card after another, opening them up and quickly shoving them back into slots, every which way. "Tyler, what are you doing?" She asked. "Haven't you found a nice card for Daddy yet?" "No," he replied. "I'm looking for one with money in it."

- Fr. Bob Glynn

Nobleton Seniors (55+)
By Joanne Bailey
Program Coordinator

Please register for each program you plan to attend. Material and food are purchased according to the number of people registered.

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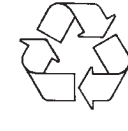
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Nobleton Notes

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All Educational Thursdays are \$1 for members and \$2 for non-members.

Mobility Matters will be on Monday and Friday from 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

October 9 – Fall is arriving. Come out and design a fall sign for your home. Artist Angela Del Borrello will instruct you on how to paint this. Cost is \$10 for all materials. Register by October 6.

October 15 – Special Event – Grand Opening – New Nobleton Senior Program.

Join us between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. at the Nobleton Arena to celebrate the opening of the new Nobleton Senior Room and 55+ activities. Please see below the itinerary for the event.

Senior program room, 11 a.m. to 2:15 p.m., vendors, prizes, food, beverages.

Arena Hall, 11 a.m. to 12:45 a.m. – Carpet bowling, table tennis, indoor bocce, cards, board games, 1-2 p.m. – Bone fitness.

2:30 p.m. – Ribbon cutting in Senior Program Room with Mayor, Council and MPP Stephen Lecce, (Erin Burford & Joanne Bailey) .

October 16 – Chair Zumba and First Impressions workshop with Frank. His music will boost your mood. Wear your favourite hat that displays your character.

October 23 – Optometrist Dr. Melissa Siragusa from Nobleton will talk about eye health and the warnings signs of Cataracts and Glaucoma.

October 30 – Surprise Halloween theme so come in costume and enjoy a breakfast talk sponsored by “Flourish Family Chiropractic,” who will provide snacks and refreshments. Register by October 27.

Fall registration for Nobleton Girl Guides

It's time to jump back into Guiding! We're ready to welcome back and offer the amazing experience girls love with all the safety you've come to expect from us! You can be confident that girls will have a meaningful year trying new things, building skills and friendships.

Nobleton Girl Guides meet locally on Tuesday nights from mid-September to June, for girls ages 5 to 14.

Register at: girlguides.ca If you have any questions, please email 1stnobletonmembers@gmail.com

Kingcrafts Studio Sale

Mark your calendars for our upcoming sale. Invite your friends and come shop our seasonal collection of unique, hand-crafted pieces made in the heart of King City by your local community of artisans and crafters!

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Nobleton Lions

Tickets for the Annual Community Fundraising Draw are going fast. The winners will be declared at the Library Gazebo on October 25. First prize is \$4000, 2nd is \$750, 3rd is \$250. Tickets cost \$20 each or 3 for \$50 and can be bought from any Lion as well as in some businesses around town, such as KARS, Nobleton Dental Clinic, and Pharmasave.

Proceeds from the Draw will support many non-profit organizations here in Nobleton, throughout King, York Region, and Ontario, and even overseas in developing countries. The criterion for receiving financial support is that the organization addresses one or more of

the Lions global causes which are Diabetes, Vision, Hunger, Environment, Childhood Cancer, Disaster Relief, Humanitarian Efforts, and Youth.

Regular meetings of the Nobleton Lions Club are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from September to mid-June. The Lions continue to welcome new members with a heart to serve, both men and women. You may join us as a guest by contacting Lion Jerry MacBain at nobletonlionjerry@outlook.com

To learn more about how the Nobleton Lions engage with both the local community and the wider Lions International worldwide community, please visit our website at www.NobletonLionsClub.com. You may also follow us on Instagram at [nobleton.lions.club](https://www.instagram.com/nobleton.lions.club)

Book club

The Nobleton Book Club is resuming its in-person, monthly discussions of books at the Nobleton Library, located at 8 Sheardown Drive. The schedule of meetings is on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the program room at the Nobleton Branch.

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In Memory of Jerauldean Ann Kuti



Born on June 23, 1937, Jerauldean Ann Kuti, known as Ann or Anie, surrounded by family and friends lost the battle of life to cancer on September 07, 2025.

Ann lived a life full of passion, dedication, and love for those around her. As a Registered Nurse, she spent many years of her life caring for others, offering compassion and expertise to patients and colleagues alike. Her nurturing spirit extended beyond her work, as she also devoted herself to her family, children and community. Ann's love for horses led her to become a respected race trainer, where she found joy in both the challenge and the triumphs of the sport. She worked tirelessly with her horses, earning the admiration of those in the racing community for her knowledge and commitment.

She was the cherished mother of Gregory Joseph James Kuti and Karen Ann Kuti, whose lives were profoundly shaped by her love, guidance, and wisdom. Ann was also a proud grandmother of Danielle Ann Jonston, and her legacy of care, strength, and perseverance will live on through her family and all who knew her. A woman of grace and resilience, Ann touched the lives of many, and her passing leaves a void that will never be filled. She is preceded in death by brothers Brian, Richard and Dennis.

Ann will be laid to rest along side her father John, mother Noreen and brother Gregory. Her family is comforted by the memories of her unwavering support, the warmth of her presence, and the lessons she imparted. As she now rests in peace, we remember Ann for the kindness she showed to everyone she encountered, her passion for life, and her deep love for her family.

A celebration of her life will be held at St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church, location 116 Church Street, Schomberg, Ontario L0G1T0 on October 18, 2025. There will be a short service at 1:30 till 4:30. Jerauldean will be laid to rest in a private family gathering on October 11, 2025, in Port Colborne.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Southlake Cancer Centre or to Guelph University Equine Research or the Long Run Charity for Racehorses.

May her soul rest in eternal peace

Please contact Greg Kuti at 416-807-3276 or email gregkuti1@gmail.com with any questions.

REMINDER

LIVE AUCTION SALE

for **Emidio Dos Santos**
Saturday October 11, 10:00am

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Peacefully on October 4th, 2025 at Southlake Regional Health Centre Newmarket. Tom Elmer at the age of 75 years, loving husband of Kathy Elmer (née: Burns). Beloved father of Juliana Elmer and Drew Elmer (Dee Furlotte). Caring grandfather to Kiaran, Liadan, Freya, George II, and James. Tom is survived by his mother Sylvia Elmer (the late Ted). Loving brother of Sharon (Greg Murphy), Ray, Faye, Keith (Susan), Brenda, Cindy and predeceased by sister Dorothy. Forever in the hearts of his nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends.

A drop-in Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, October 10th, 2025, from 5pm until 12 midnight at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #329 (25 Richmond Street East, Tottenham, Ontario). Donations in Tom's memory to the charity of your choice would be appreciated. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Rod Abrams Funeral Home 905-936-3477. Online memories and condolences may be left for the family at www.RodAbramsFuneralHome.com.

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Nobleton & Schomberg United Churches

Nancy Hopkinson

Sunday services at our two churches are: 9:30 a.m. at Schomberg United & 11:15 a.m. at Nobleton United.

The Weekly Bible Study is resuming this Thursday at Nobleton United at 10 am, focussing this time on the

Book of Acts.

Thursday, Oct. 9, the Schomberg UCW is at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #147, Barrie for the Shining Waters UCW Togetherness Day.

The next Messy Church is Monday, Oct. 20 at 5 p.m. at Nobleton United. There will have crafts and activities for the theme "Zaccheus" (the little man who climbed a tree to see Jesus) from 5-6 p.m. At 6 p.m., we have story time until 6:15 p.m. when we eat. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. The parents & grandparents en-

joy the activities too. One activity is always decorating a cookie in the theme of the day. Please let me know (text 416-316-5064 or email) if you would like to attend, as we need to have enough food for all.

The next Seniors' lunch is Tuesday, Oct. 21 at St. Mary Magdalene Church. Normally the lunch is the second Tuesday of the month. The date was moved one week because of Thanksgiving. Please arrive at 11:15 a.m. The program starts at 11:30 a.m. The guest speaker for October is our very own

Rev. Richard Gardner presenting photos and stories of his family trip to Greece last year. While we visit historic sites connected with the beginnings of the early Christian church in Europe, Richard will unveil the intriguing story of "Paul's Unexpected Journey." The meal is meatloaf with mac & cheese and veggie, buns, and pumpkin pie with whipped cream and a honey drizzle. The meal can be delivered, if you prefer.

Please let Sheila Kelly know (905-939-2315 or 905-751-5190) if you plan to attend. Space is limited. Although this is a free event, we do appreciate any donations that you are able to make to help cover the costs. We are grateful to the Township of King for some additional financial support this year.

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On Wednesday mornings, we have a Zoom Coffee chat (10 to 11 a.m.). We talk on a huge variety of topics, mainly current events. You are welcome to join us. Just send me a message nancyhopkinson@gmail.com to request the link.

Schomberg United Church meets at St. Mary Magdalene Church, lower level, 116 Church St., Schomberg. It is accessible. Nobleton United Church meets 6076 King Rd., Nobleton. It has a wheelchair ramp and a chair lift to go up the 7 steps to the Sanctuary. To contact our churches phone 905-859-3976.

Nobleton Notes

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All these titles are available to borrow, for free, through the Nobleton Library and other King Township libraries. If you have any questions, call Heather, the Branch Supervisor, at the Nobleton Library at 905-859-4188. Come and join this wonderful group of Nobleton readers!

The next book, Wednesday, Nov. 12, will be Jennie's Boy by Wayne Johnston.

Horticulture By John Arnott

Once St. Alban's brick walls were up windows were the next priority.

Since it had been decided that these windows would take the shape of the pointed gothic arch style brickwork that would hold the frames was created with small wedge shaped bricks held

in place by a somewhat larger wedged brick called a keystone. This imitated the mediaeval churches of Europe where tall gothic windows with their keystone pointed arches permitted the weight pressing down from the heavy stone roofs to be more evenly distributed thus allowing for more and higher windows in thinner walls.

In a small country church arched windows which did help with handling weight more efficiently, especially with the large windows in the north and south walls and the grounded arch, which holds the main entrance, weren't a necessity in St. Alban's case, but rather a nod to the traditional look of churches. The window frames inside brick of St. Alban's windows are spruce which was readily available in the Nobleton area cost efficient, light weight but strong enough for structural framing, easy to cut, shape and join. As well spruce resists warping and shrinking if properly dried and sealed and takes varnish/stain well all good points for

gothic style pointed windows.

Now the process of pointing the brickwork came into play. A finer mortar created from hydrated (powdered limestone) lime mixed with sand and water was used to cover the rougher mortar around and holding each brick in place. This finely sifted mortar was softer and more flexible resulting in smoother more attractive finish. Sands in the Nobleton area used this mortar gave it tones of beige buff or light gray when dry. Over time and weathering it settled into a muted aged look.

A pointed tool was used to poke this mortar into place shielding the coarser brick holding mortar from rain and frost and so the process became known as pointing. In today's construction world different tools are used for pointing. Using these more modern tools. construction company owner former church member and sometime treasurer of St. Alban's Ken Preston had his men repoint the brickwork in time for the church's 100th celebrations.

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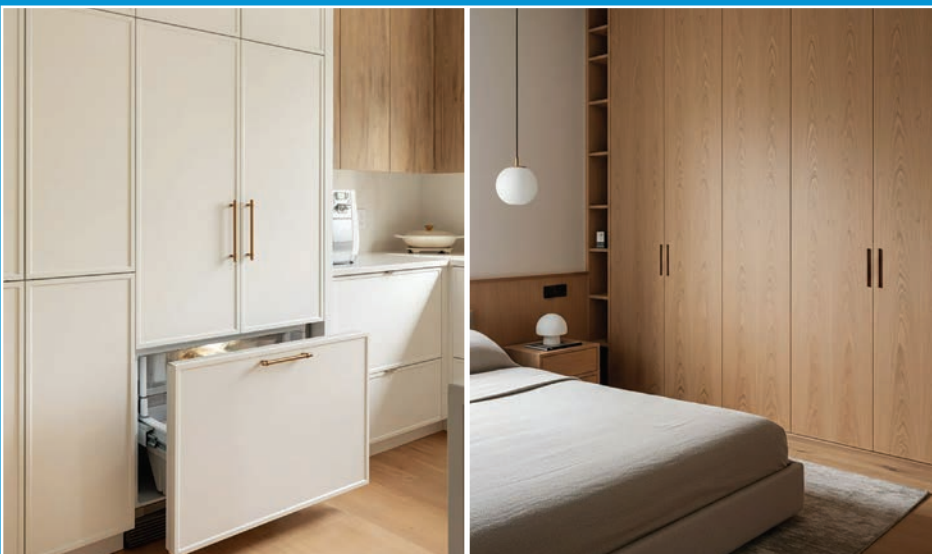
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