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Dignitaries, including Minister of Health Sylvia Jones, King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce and Vaughan Mayor Steven Del Duca lauded the Province's funding for York University's new school of medicine, which will help train family doctors to provide health care for residents.

York School of Medicine will train family doctors

To protect Ontario's health-care workforce, the Ontario government is investing \$55.8 million to support the planning and operations of York University's new school of medicine.

As the first medical school in Ontario that is focused on training family doctors, the York School of Medicine is expected to open in 2028 and will bolster Ontario's pipeline of highly skilled primary care providers, helping fulfill Ontario's commitment to ensure that everyone who wants to have a primary care provider can access one.

"Ontario-trained family doctors are the backbone of our health-care system, providing compassionate care for our loved ones from everyday checkups to life's greatest challenges," said Nolan Quinn, Minister of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security. "This investment will ensure that Ontario has a strong pipeline of family care providers to deliver excellent care for decades to come."

This investment will fund initial planning for the York School of Medicine such as accreditation, curriculum development, faculty recruitment, establishing a medical library, training costs and operating costs for its undergraduate and postgraduate programs. When the school opens, it will have 80 undergraduate seats and 102 postgraduate seats, growing to 240 undergraduate seats and 293 postgraduate seats at full capacity.

"Our government is strengthening Ontario's world-class physician workforce through the largest medical education expansion in over a decade," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "Today's \$55.8 million investment in planning and operations at the new York School of Medicine brings us a step closer to adding hundreds of new family medicine seats, which will support the primary care needs of our province for generations to come."

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School of medicine is the first dedicated to training

From Front Page

“Our government is once again stepping up with new funding to operationalize York’s School of Medicine as we build Canada’s first medical school dedicated exclusively to training the next generation of primary care physicians. Working with local partners, Ontario is leading the way to build a campus-of-care around the hospital that will deliver better healthcare closer to home. This is a banner week for the King—Vaughan community, as we unveiled a vision to build a new long-term care home and seniors village right beside the York University School of Medicine and Cortellucci Vaughan Hospital. Our government will continue to invest so that every single resident is connected to a family doctor,” said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King-Vaughan.

The Ontario government is leading the largest expansion of medical education in the province in over a decade. The expansion includes additional seats at all six medical schools across Ontario, as well as the establishment of two new medical schools, the Toronto Metropolitan University Medical School, which welcomed its inaugural cohort last fall, and York, which is slated to open in 2028. This investment is on top of the initial \$9 million invested by the Ontario government to begin the

design and planning for York’s Medical School in 2024.

“We are deeply grateful for this \$55.8 million investment from the Government of Ontario, which serves as a powerful vote of confidence in our vision for the York University School of Medicine,” said Lisa Philipps, Interim President and Vice-Chancellor of York University. “This will be a school where physicians are trained for the health system Ontarians need. Together with our hospital and other health care partners, we are building a community-based model of medical education that will expand access to care across northern Toronto, York Region, Simcoe County, Muskoka and beyond as we move toward accreditation and prepare to welcome our inaugural class in 2028.”

Ontario is adding 340 undergraduate seats and 551 postgraduate medical residency positions at medical schools by 2028-29, representing a 67 per cent increase in family medicine graduates.

Last fall, the Ontario government opened the Toronto Metropolitan University School of Medicine in Brampton, which was supported by \$180 million from the Ontario government.

With the addition of the York University School of Medicine in September 2028, Ontario will have eight medical schools and is expected to have a total

of 1,292 undergraduate and 1,739 postgraduate seats once the medical expansion initiatives reach maturity in 2033.

Starting in fall 2026, all medical schools in Ontario are required to allocate at least 95 per cent of all undergraduate medical spaces to Ontario residents, with the other five per cent reserved for students from the rest of Canada.

The Ontario Learn and Stay Grant – Medical Education is launching in Fall 2026 to provide funding to medical students who commit to practicing family medicine anywhere in the province for five years after graduation.

As part of the government’s historic \$6.4 billion long-term funding model, Ontario is investing \$1.7 billion to fund 70,000 seats in key, labour-market driven sectors, including health care.

“This investment in the York University School of Medicine is an important step forward and reflects what is possible when government, academic institutions and health care providers come together around a shared commitment to improving care. Training tomorrow’s

health care professionals is essential to building a stronger health system. As a proud affiliate partner of the York University School of Medicine, we are excited to help create innovative learning opportunities that prepare future physicians for team-based, community-focused care. Together with York University and our fellow affiliate hospitals, we are building the workforce needed to meet the evolving needs of patients and communities, helping more people access high-quality care close to home,” added Carmine Stumpo, President and CEO, Mackenzie Health.

“In building a medical school dedicated to training family and generalist physicians, we aim to transform how doctors are educated, equipping them to adapt to the changing needs of our communities and our health system ... We’re championing person-centred care that leverages deep community learning experiences to strengthen community health from home to hospital,” noted Dr. David Peters, Dean, Faculty of Health and Dean of Record, York University School of Medicine.



King City resident scores \$10-million jackpot

What was supposed to be an ordinary day in the bleachers watching a family member at a baseball tournament turned into an extraordinary one when Brandon G. of King City discovered he was a multi-millionaire. Brandon won the \$10 million LOTTO MAX jackpot from the May 29.

During his Winner Celebration at the OLG Prize Centre in Toronto, Brandon shared the amusing story of how he learned about his newfound fortune.

“Each week, I buy my LOTTO MAX and LOTTO 6/49 tickets on OLG.ca. I only check my account when I see an email from OLG,” said Brandon. “I was at a baseball tournament when I noticed I had more OLG emails than usual. I figured some of them were spam. When I logged into my account, I initially thought I’d won \$10,000. Then I noticed the extra zeros and realized it was \$10 million!”

Brandon was hesitant to celebrate and share the news right away, as he was surrounded by people on the bleachers. He soon found a private moment with his partner and told her about the incredible win.

“We were both in disbelief! It was exciting, but we knew it wouldn’t feel

real until the \$10 million hit my bank account,” he said with a chuckle.

Despite becoming a multi-millionaire, Brandon plans to keep working. “I’m still young and have several more years before retirement, but this win gives me and my family a sense of security and peace of mind for the future.”

While he intends to put the money in the bank and develop long-term investment plans, Brandon and his family are starting to dream about a few bucket-list items.

“I have big sports fans in my family, so we’d love to visit some baseball stadiums in the U.S. We’d also like to head west to Edmonton to see the Oilers and Connor McDavid play.”

Brandon said he’s heard some chatter about a family trip to Italy or Greece as well. “This win will allow me to slow down a bit and spend more quality time with my family.”

This winning experience has been especially meaningful for Brandon, as he fondly recalls a long tradition of checking lottery tickets with his late father. “While it may seem like a small thing, it was always fun spending time together checking our tickets. My dad would have really enjoyed this win.”

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We have obligations in exchange for our blessings

We are blessed to be here, free to live our lives to the fullest.

Unfortunately, we often squander such a blessing, or “change our tune” in our latter years. Wisdom will definitely improve one’s perspective on things.

And so will our mortality, especially when faced with the cold, harsh realities and life-altering illnesses.

I haven’t had an epiphany or remarkable awakening, since my cancer diagnosis. I think I’ve always lived with respect for others, compassion and genuine honesty. I’ve written about my life and all of its ups and downs, for decades, and I’ve been quite upfront and blunt about it.

I am preoccupied with my plight and that makes my daily routine and chores a bit tough at times (sorry for going on about it). I no longer have any patience for the mundane and refuse to engage in stupid debates.

One social media post offered some tips on “creating a day worth living.”

One point was to “express gratitude for what you have.”

Another suggested that we “do something productive.”

I check my emails and do work-related things every day, including evenings and weekends, while working from home.

We should “do something for someone else,” and I agree. My oldest daughter recently moved into her first home – a huge milestone and undertaking. My wife and I have been showering her with all the necessities and household items she needs for a great start.

My daughter, and our entire family, often rises to the challenge to help friends, families in need, and pitch in to



Mark Pavilons

causes in developing nations.

People often criticize our governments for not helping our own citizens first, before dishing out foreign aid. If you’ve seen how some of these people live you will understand their desperation.

The post also urges us to get some sunlight and put a smile on someone’s face.

I have lived by both over the years. I love the warmer months and have made it a point to soak up the rays every summer, whether away or simply relaxing in the back yard.

Those who know me will agree that I try to entice smiles from those around me, with my wit and sense of humour. Smiles are everything – a gift that’s

unique to human beings. Facial expressions are priceless.

Another online post, shared by my wife, tells us to “always give yourself something small.”

We should look forward to a nice meal, it says.

I’m not sure why, but lately, I’m obsessed with food – chicken wings, steak, all-you-can-eat ribs, “crabfest,” smash burgers, the list goes on. And of course, given my internet searches, these images are popping up daily, giving me (pardon the pun) plenty of “food for thought.”

My wife and I enjoyed dinner out together recently and it was a great break from the at-home dinner chore. We not only enjoyed the food, but each other’s company, and the blessings that come with that.

The post also prescribes a “weekend stroll.” Not a walk, but a jaunt, taking in our surroundings.

We had just that opportunity, when our daughter took us to one of the public beaches in Innisfil. While the beach and noise from the food trucks were distracting, we did find solace at the proverbial dock of the bay.

Together, we simply stared out at the lake, felt the breeze on our faces and just soaked up the calming forces of nature. Perfect. Therapeutic.

My Piscean wife lives for the water and I know this provided her with some fuel for her tank.

“Your mind and body need gentle reminders that life is meant to be enjoyed, not just a series of chores and survival,” according to the post.

Indeed.

Here in hectic North America, we’re busy as bees. Too busy.

We tend put work, errands and chores ahead of joy and fulfilment. A lot of it is out of necessity – life is expensive lately. And many people really are in “survival mode,” when it comes to paying for rent, groceries, gas, etc. It’s hard to remind ourselves to seek cheer when the kitchen table is littered with bills and

statements.

Again, life is meant to be relished, savoured. We need to love ourselves, but we also need to extend that to others.

We are not alone on this planet, nor do we navigate our years on Earth without family, friends, acquaintances. There is so much strength in numbers that we ought to attract others to our inner circles and exchange positive energy.

It’s okay to tell others – even acquaintances – that we love and respect them. I dish out hugs, even to my male friends, without hesitation. It’s genuine. It shows I care.

“Hugs are underrated ... for a moment everything feels so calm and safe like nothing can hurt you.”

Further, I always give credit where it’s due. I often extend thanks and tell everyone I encounter on a daily basis to “have a good day.” Good manners are worth their weight in gold, especially these days.

It acknowledges others, in more than just a rote, robot-like way. It lets others know they are seen, heard and valued. Isn’t that part of the reason we’re here – to lift others up? A little goes a long way, let me tell you.

Even during my hospital visits and blood draws, I thank the techs who work tirelessly each and every day. I’m sure health care facilities, and cancer centres, see thousands upon thousands of patients each year. Are they just numbers – sick and dying individuals? Or are they spouses, parents, best friends, hard workers, volunteers, artists and compassionate souls? I hope the physicians approach each patient with the humanity they deserve.

I don’t really know the impact I’ve had during my life, other than directly upon those in my family. I hope I have made others smile and left a lasting impression. I wish to have contributed, and made things better in some small way. I hope to have brought some sunshine into other people’s lives.

Giving is important. And “creating a day worth living” is vital, too. Join in!

York Region

Climate change reshaping agriculture

Climate change is already reshaping the agri-food sector, and York Region’s latest report shows what that means for farms, food processors and businesses across the value chain.

The York Region: Climate Change Research Study identifies key risks and opportunities facing York Region’s agri-food industry. From rising temperatures and more frequent extreme weather events to supply chain disruptions and increasing operating costs, climate impacts are becoming more visible across the sector.

The study also highlights potential advantages, including longer growing seasons and opportunities for local businesses to strengthen their position as climate-smart leaders.

To help build resilience, the report outlines practical actions businesses can take today, including:

Improving soil health; Adopting water-efficient practices; Exploring alternative crops and production methods; Strengthening supply chain resilience; Accessing funding, training and support programs.

Read the full report and explore sector-specific recommendations to help future-proof your agri-food business: <https://yorklink.ca/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/york-region-climate-change-research-report-2026.pdf>



Quote of the Week

“A newspaper is not the solution to ignorance, but it is a step in the right direction.”

— Anon.

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THIS WEEK’S QUESTION

Do you think the summer is flying by?

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Every oil, gas pipeline moves in the wrong direction

By David Suzuki The Environment

It's not utopian to envision a Canada with less pollution, lower household costs and a smaller gap between rich and poor. We have the technology, knowledge and skilled workforce to make it happen — and we're seeing effective solutions employed worldwide. But time is running out, and consequences are mounting: record heat killing thousands; extreme weather events increasing in number and severity; wildfires clogging air with smoke and threatening homes; aquifers and reservoirs drying up; droughts causing food shortages; disease-carrying insects moving to areas they've rarely been seen; sea levels threatening entire cities ... the list goes on. The message from scientists and organizations worldwide — from the United Nations to the International Energy Agency to the International Insti-

tute for Sustainable Development — is clear: There's no room for continued gas, oil or coal exploration or development if we're to prevent global average temperatures from rising beyond catastrophic levels. Canada could be a global leader in solutions. An east-west renewable-powered grid could quickly put us on the path to zero emissions. We have the knowhow to improve and employ energy storage and electric vehicle technologies. We could easily reduce consumption. So, what's Canada's plan? More pipelines to deliver polluting, climate-altering dirty bitumen to dwindling markets; ramped up water-sucking, polluting fracked gas; gutted environmental review processes and reduced climate policies. And federal and pro-

Trade tensions show why agriculture needs a strong national voice

By Paul Maurice
Executive Member
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of Agriculture

With renewed tariff threats from the United States making headlines again, Canadians are getting another reminder that our economy doesn't operate in a vacuum. That's especially true for a sector as export-dependent as agriculture, where the decisions made in Washington, Ottawa and provincial capitals can have just as much impact on a farm business as the weather. That's why the recent federal-provincial-territorial agriculture ministers' meetings in Nova Scotia, along with the Canadian Federation of Agriculture (CFA) summer meeting, were important. They brought together farm leaders, government ministers and officials from across the country to discuss the issues that will shape Canadian agriculture for years to come.

I attended the event as a farmer and Executive Member of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture. My biggest takeaway wasn't any single announcement; rather it was the sense that agriculture is finally moving higher on government priority lists. The recent federal government announcement of the development of a national food security strategy is one of the signs of that shift. As farmers, we've long known how important our sector is to the rest of the national economy. To put it simply, everyone has to eat and we're in the business of producing food — along with fuel, fibre and flowers — but we don't usually command the attention that other sectors like automotive, mining or energy do. The connection seems obvious: there is no national security without food security. A country that can't reliably produce its own food is vulnerable to global conflicts, trade disputes, supply chain disruptions and extreme weather. Canada has the land, the resources and the expertise to feed its own population and customers around the world, but that capacity can't be taken for granted. It was also encouraging to see the growing influence of senators with agricultural backgrounds. Their practical understanding of farming is helping keep agriculture front and centre in national policy discussions, whether the topic is food production, soil health or the long-term competitiveness of Canadian agriculture. Of course, greater recognition

doesn't eliminate the challenges we face. Labour shortages remain one of the biggest concerns across the country. Whether it's seasonal workers, skilled trades or year-round employees, farms and agri-food businesses continue to struggle to find the people they need. Without a reliable workforce, it becomes harder to grow food, invest in new opportunities and keep rural economies strong. Protecting farmland is another issue that is facing provinces nation-wide. Productive agricultural land continues to disappear to development, and once it's gone, it rarely comes back into production. Land use planning isn't just a local issue anymore, it's a national one. The same is true for farm business transition. Young farmers continue to face significant barriers to entering the industry or taking over family farms. High land prices, lack of access to capital and rising business costs make transition increasingly difficult. If governments are serious about strengthening Canada's food security, helping the next generation get established has to be part of the solution. And of course, trade. While recent tariff threats remind us how important the United States remains as Canada's largest agricultural trading partner, they also reinforce the need to continue diversifying our export markets. Expanding opportunities around the world makes Canadian agriculture more resilient when one market becomes uncertain. At the same time, Canada needs to invest at home. More domestic food processing capacity, stronger and more modern transportation networks and better rural infrastructure all help farmers get products to market more efficiently while creating economic opportunities here in Canada. None of these issues can be solved by one province acting alone. That's why organizations like the Canadian Federation of Agriculture are so important. They bring together voices from every region of the country so governments hear not just one provincial perspective, but a national one. I left Nova Scotia optimistic. Not because our work is finished, but because it feels like governments are beginning to understand what farmers have known all along: agriculture isn't just another sector of the economy. It's fundamental to Canada's economy, its resilience and its future.

vincial government leaders want you to pay for it! The 1,200-kilometre pipeline proposed by the federal and Alberta governments would transport diluted bitumen from Alberta to B.C.'s south coast along the existing Trans Mountain pipeline route. It would cost up to \$44 billion, mostly financed by taxpayers. (Costs for the Trans Mountain pipeline expansion, which the federal government bought with our money, were originally pegged at \$5.4 billion but ballooned to more than \$34.2 billion.) Only one private company, Calgary-based Pembina Pipeline Corporation, has agreed to invest in the new pipeline, with a 10 per cent stake. Alberta Premier Danielle Smith says the project is part of "Alberta's goal to double oil production to eight million barrels per day over the next 10 to 15 years." It's insane. The project will lock us into polluting, climate-altering dirty fuels for years to come, or leave us with "stranded assets" as the world rapidly shifts to renewable energy. The pipeline is linked to the multi-billion-dollar Pathways carbon capture and storage project, which would also be subsidized by taxpayers. It would only reduce emissions from production, not the far greater amount from burning the crude. And, as the IEA states, "Removing carbon from the atmosphere is costly and uncertain. We must do everything possible to stop putting it there in the first place." It also comes with major risks, including carbon pipeline and storage facility ruptures and leaks, and excess water use. Meanwhile, Alberta and Ontario have been touting yet another pipeline between their provinces. And the federal and B.C. governments continue to support liquefied "natural" gas development, which means more frack-

ing, water shortages, earthquakes and emissions of the potent greenhouse gas methane (which is what "natural" gas is composed of). Even in Alberta, a majority opposes using tax dollars for a new pipeline, according to a Pembina Institute poll. Most also agree that the province's economy relies too much on oil and gas. Think of what \$44 billion could buy. The Green Economy Network, an alliance of unions, environmental, public interest and faith-based organizations, recommends "\$40 billion over five years for investments in greening Canada's electricity systems." The Green Budget Coalition suggests investing \$32 billion over five years on clean energy projects and a renewable-powered east-west electricity grid, something David Suzuki Foundation research shows is feasible. Investing in cleaner energy would create good jobs and increase energy security and stability. As the IEA notes, fossil fuel investments are risky, because "if the world is successful in bringing down fossil demand quickly enough to reach net zero emissions by 2050, new projects would face major commercial risks." Climate Analytics chief executive Bill Hare says, "Any investment in new fossil fuels now is a fool's gamble, while joining the race to renewables can only bring benefits — not just jobs and cheaper energy at stable prices, but energy independence and access where it's needed most." Doubling down on fossil fuels moves Canada in the wrong direction.

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Extension expanding fast, affordable transit creating 4,300 jobs annually during construction

The Ontario government has officially completed excavation of the tunnel launch shaft for the Yonge North Subway Extension, marking a major milestone in the province’s plan to relieve gridlock across the Greater Toronto Area by expanding access to fast, affordable and reliable public transit. The project will extend the TTC’s Line 1 subway nearly eight kilometres north from Finch Station to Vaughan, Markham and Richmond Hill, moving more than 94,000 riders each day and putting nearly 23,000 jobs within walking distance of transit.

“Our government is delivering on our word to build a second subway stop in Vaughan to get the GTHA moving,” said Stephen Lecce, MPP for King—Vaughan. “We are making real progress on the Yonge North Subway Extension, a project that will move 94,000 riders each day and generate over \$3.6 billion in economic benefits for the GTA. This project is a key pillar in our plan — the largest and most ambitious transit expansion in North America, along with massive improvements at

the Rutherford, Maple, and King City GO stations.”

Crews have dug almost 70,000 cubic metres of soil to prepare the tunnel launch shaft site, where two tunnel boring machines (TBMs) will begin digging the extension’s twin 6.3-kilometre tunnels. The launch shaft extends 10 metres below ground, requiring 11,000 cubic metres of concrete and 860 tonnes of steel reinforcement to construct.

“Our government is making historic investments in public transit to protect Ontario’s economy and keep people moving in the face of tariffs and economic uncertainty,” said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Minister of Transportation. “The Yonge North Subway Extension will bring subway service to Markham and Richmond Hill for the first time ever, relieving gridlock and connecting thousands of people to housing and good-paying jobs.”

The province recently issued a request for proposals to qualified teams for design and construction of the extension’s stations, tracks and support systems. Ahead of future tunnelling

and station construction, crews are relocating utilities to make room for new infrastructure.

“Reliable, modern public transit is key to building connected and resilient communities,” said the Honourable Gregor Robertson, Minister of Housing and Infrastructure and Minister responsible for Pacific Economic Development Canada. “We are partnering with provinces and territories to build the local infrastructure that our communities need. The Yonge North Subway Extension is exactly the sort of project that will help grow Toronto strong and shape the future of how we move and explore our community.”

The Yonge North Subway Extension will add five new stations to the subway network – Steeles, Clark, Royal Orchard, Bridge and High Tech. Construction of the extension supports 4,300 jobs per year, stimulating the local economy and generating over \$3.6 billion in economic benefits.

Ontario is investing \$70 billion in the largest transit expansion in North America, including the largest subway expansion in Canadian history with the Ontario Line, the Scarborough Subway Extension, the Eglinton Crosstown West Extension and the Yonge North Subway Extension.

The Yonge North Subway Extension will cut the distance travelled by personal vehicles by 7,700 kilometres during rush hour and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by more than 4,800 tonnes each year.

Bridge Station, a newly proposed transit hub on the northern segment of the line, will connect to GO train and bus lines, as well as regional and local

bus services.

In September 2024, Ontario and York Region signed an Agreement-in-Principle (AIP) to advance the Yonge North Subway Extension, building on the 2020 Preliminary Agreement and establishing the framework for project delivery, funding and operations.

The Government of Canada is contributing \$2.24 billion in funding for the Yonge North Subway Extension.

“The Yonge North Subway Extension will revolutionize travel for people living and working in North York, Vaughan, Markham and Richmond Hill. As part of our government’s \$236 billion capital plan to build and protect Ontario, we are working with our partners to plan transit-oriented communities along the extension, including at the High Tech and Bridge stations. These vibrant, mixed-used communities will deliver more than 40,000 new homes, create over 4,000 jobs during construction per year, support nearly 10,000 new long-term jobs and help to increase transit ridership, reduce gridlock and drive local economic growth,” said Todd McCarthy, Acting Minister of Infrastructure.

“Completing excavation at the Yonge North Subway Extension’s tunnel launch shaft and inviting qualified teams to bid on the project’s final major contract reflect a growing momentum building behind this extension. As we get ready to receive the tunnel boring machines that will carve out the extension’s twin tunnels, we’re looking forward to starting the next phase of building this important project,” said Michael Lindsay, President and CEO of Metrolinx.



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CAA survey finds 96 per cent of Ontario drivers have witnessed dangerous driving behaviours

Nearly every Ontario driver has witnessed dangerous driving in the past year, yet many do not believe they contribute to the problem, according to a new survey from CAA South Central Ontario (CAA SCO).

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“Most Ontario drivers can identify dangerous behaviours when they see them, but many don’t realize they may be contributing to the problem themselves,” says Michael Stewart, community relations consultant, CAA South Central Ontario. “The good news is that small changes in driver behaviour can make a big difference. By slowing down, staying focused and making safe choices behind the wheel, we can help create safer roads for everyone.”

Speeding remains the most common dangerous driving behaviour reported by Ontario drivers. More than one-third (38 per cent) admit to speeding, with

more than half of those drivers say they typically travel 10 to 19 km/h above the speed limit. Even small increases in speed can significantly increase the likelihood and severity of collisions. Many drivers may not realize that fines increase depending on how far over the speed limit they are travelling and can be doubled in community safety zones.

Encouragingly, most Ontarians say they slow down when they realize they are speeding, suggesting awareness and education can play an important role in changing behaviour. According to the data, 87 per cent of drivers also support the fines and penalties for speeding, and 37 per cent claim that penalties and fines affected their driving behaviour in the past year.

A separate survey conducted by CAA SCO found that 16 per cent of Ontario drivers have been involved in a collision caused by distracted driving, a figure that has gradually increased in recent years. Rear-end collisions remain the most common type of crash associated with distraction, according to this study.

“Distracted driving is preventable, yet it continues to put lives at risk every day,” says Stewart. “Whether it’s checking a notification, interacting with in-vehicle technology or taking your eyes off the road for a few seconds, the consequences can be devastating. The safest choice is to stay focused on driving.”

CAA South Central Ontario is encouraging drivers to stay focused, alert and aware behind the wheel.

For more information about road safety advocacy and research, visit www.caasco.com/advocacy

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King City Trailers hosts customer appreciation event

By Jim Stewart

King City Trailers welcomed local dignitaries, customers, and long-time business partners to its annual Customer Appreciation Event recently.

After receiving a congratulatory certificate from Mayor Steve Pellegrini and the Township of King, Managing Director Ian Richardson described the most satisfying aspects of running King City Trailers and hosting an event for customers: “I acquired the company two years ago. We’re honored to be part of the community and this is our opportunity to take phenomenal customers who have been with us for over 30 years, including Priestly Demolition. There are always challenges and problems in a business – it’s about solving them with the team and looking after customers. It’s really nice to be in this working environment. Everyone knows everyone. Half the team lives in Oak Ridges and half the team lives in King City. We’re very proud to have local ties.”

Richardson described the scope of the services offered by King City Trailers at its sprawling site on the south side of King Road equidistant between Dufferin and Bathurst: “We have up to 120 trailers for sale at a time. We provide service for trailers with four bays and five techs to serve our customers. We also provide storage solutions for

owners of RVs, boats, and trailers.”

In addition to welcoming Mayor Pellegrini, Richardson also welcomed Minister of Energy and Mines and King-Vaughan MPP Stephen Lecce who presented the managing director and his staff with a Canadian flag. Minister Lecce foregrounded the significance of recognizing Canadian-owned businesses like King City Trailers: “It’s important to support local business owners and entrepreneurs like Ian who keep our community strong. I presented the Canadian flag to Ian and his employees because they represent the best of our country. The best part of today’s event is seeing a Canadian business stay in Canadian hands and being managed by a great Canadian entrepreneur.”

Echoing Minister Lecce’s words of praise for the 50-year-old company was Ryan Priestly. The long-time customer of King City Trailers, star of Salvage Kings on the History Channel, and owner of Priestly Demolition, explained his connections to the King City-based business: “I was raised in Aurora and grew up in King. We moved here 20 years ago. One of the best qualities of King City Trailers is its reliability. It’s important when you’re pulling a trailer and you start heading down the road that everything runs properly and reliably. The service here couldn’t be better and it’s close to home.”



Jim Bailey, Truck Accessories Manager at King City Trailers for twenty years, acknowledged the importance of thanking long-time partners like Priestly Demolition: “Today we’re welcoming all the local dealers and the fleet managers. We need to exceed expectations with them. We do a lot of business with local companies so it’s important for us to show our appreciation.”

Greg Irwin has been sales manager

for King City Trailers since November, has spent 35 years in the industry, and agreed with Bailey regarding the importance of a customer appreciation event: “The best part of an event like this is the social interaction with our customers and meeting the community. It moves us out from behind the desk and allows us to put names to faces. Just to say thanks to the community makes an event like this enjoyable.”





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Outdoor watering restrictions help protect drinking water supplies

Every summer, watering lawns and gardens can over double daily water demand, placing significant pressure on the water system. Following outdoor watering restrictions helps ensure there is enough water available for daily household use, businesses and essential services, long-term care facilities, and emergency response services such as firefighting.

Under King Township’s Water Use By-Law #2014-73 residents may only use water outdoors on specific days based on their municipal address. Properties with odd-numbered addresses may water on odd-numbered calendar days, while properties with even-numbered addresses may water on even-numbered calendar days. Outdoor watering in King Township is permitted between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

The Township’s Water-Use By-law is in effect annually from May 15 to September 30. Residents are expected to comply with watering schedules and restrictions designed to protect the community’s water supply. Violations of the Water Use By-law can result in fines ranging from \$100 to \$50,000 for a first offence, \$400 to \$100,000 for repeat offences, and \$100 to \$10,000 per offence for multiple offences.

Outdoor water use includes:

- Watering lawns, gardens, trees and landscaping.
- Using hoses, sprinklers and in-ground irrigation systems.
- Filling pools and hot tubs.
- Washing vehicles.
- Cleaning decks, patios, windows, driveways and walkways.

Take simple steps to reduce water consumption, including:

- Water lawns only when needed, as

most lawns require just one deep watering per week.

Skip watering after rainfall.

Install a rain barrel and use collected rainwater to water plants and gardens on any day of the week.

Have irrigation systems inspected to ensure they operate efficiently.

Sweep driveways and walkways instead of using a hose for cleaning.

Use smart irrigation controllers, weather sensors and rain shut-off devices which adjust watering based on weather conditions to save water and money.

Conserving water helps spread demand across the system and keeps it operating efficiently during the summer months. York Region continuously monitors water usage and system capacity, but community participation remains essential to ensuring a dependable supply for everyone. Learn more at york.ca/SaveWater.

Residents can track their water consumption online through the Township’s customer water portal. Monitoring usage can help identify unusual consumption patterns, detect leaks early and better manage household water use.

Residents can:

- View water consumption data online; monitor usage trends over time; set alerts for higher-than-normal water use; better understand how daily habits affect consumption.

Since launching in 2023, the Township’s customer water portal has seen free subscriptions grow by more than 300%, helping more residents track their water consumption online.

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National Wildlife Centre making inroads in animal care

By Mark Pavilons
Editor

Our wild friends are getting second chances, thanks to a dedicated crew at Caledon’s National Wildlife Centre (NWC).

Since opening in late spring 2025, the (NWC) hospital has made significant progress in expanding access to professional wildlife rehabilitation services across the region and throughout Ontario, according to its executive director.

“Our wildlife hotline has been exceptionally busy, and we anticipate receiving approximately 10,000 calls annually from members of the public seeking assistance with wildlife concerns,” said Tracey Cox. “Through these calls, our team provides guidance on appropriate next steps, helps determine when intervention is necessary, and admits animals requiring urgent care. Once admitted, patients undergo a thorough intake and triage process to assess their condition and stabilize them in preparation for veterinary care when required.”

She pointed out that depending on the case, treatment may include medical intervention, surgery, supportive care, and rehabilitation. As animals recover, they are transitioned into species-specific outdoor enclosures where they can rebuild strength and develop natural behaviours before being released back into the wild.

“Over the past year, we have also strengthened partnerships with community organizations, veterinarians, conservation groups, and the public, while continuing to expand our facilities and operational capacity. Most importantly, we have been able to provide care to a growing number of sick, injured, and orphaned wild animals. At present, we have 182 animals in care representing 106 species.”

Beyond direct patient care, the hospital continues to play an important role in increasing public awareness of wildlife conservation, coexistence, and the challenges facing native wildlife populations.

The response from the community has been overwhelmingly positive. NWC has seen strong support from residents, donors, volunteers, wildlife advocates, and local partners who recognize the need for dedicated wildlife care in

our area.

“Community members regularly contact us for guidance when they encounter wildlife in distress, and many have expressed appreciation for having a local resource available to assist sick, injured and orphaned animals. The level of engagement has reinforced the importance of the hospital and its role in supporting both wildlife and the public,” Cox added.

The most common cases they see include injuries resulting from vehicle collisions, window strikes, predator encounters, and entanglements in human-made materials such as fishing line, netting, plastics and fencing. They also treat animals suffering from illness, malnutrition, habitat disruption, and other conditions that can affect their ability to survive in the wild.

At this time of year, Cox said they’re seeing a significant number of orphaned young animals, particularly as wildlife enters its busiest breeding and nesting season. While many young animals genuinely require assistance, some are mistakenly assumed to be abandoned when they are still under the care of their parents, which is why consulting a wildlife rehabilitation centre before intervening is so important.

“Public education remains a key part of our work, as many wildlife injuries and conflicts can be prevented through simple wildlife-friendly practices, such as keeping cats indoors, properly securing waste, reducing the use of harmful materials, and making homes and businesses safer for wildlife.”

Staff at NWC treat all wildlife native to Canada – from birds to bears, and mice to moose. While most songbirds, waterfowl, raptors, and small mammals are brought directly to the wildlife hospital through their hotline and intake process, their mobile wildlife hospital is often involved in responding to larger species that require field or on-site assessment, specialized equipment, or transportation support.

“While we routinely care for birds, small mammals, waterfowl, and raptors, we are occasionally called to assist species that people might not expect, which serves as a reminder of the incredible diversity of wildlife that shares our landscapes. Many of the animals admitted are species we anticipated caring for; however, we are



sometimes surprised by less common species or unusual cases, such as a Spotted Salamander found in January in a sump pump or a black bear cub hit by a car, that highlight both the resilience of wildlife and the challenges they face in an increasingly human-dominated environment. Every patient that comes through our doors provides valuable insight into local wildlife populations, the pressures they face, and the important role rehabilitation plays in supporting their survival and ensuring the health of the ecosystem.”

Demand for services has increased and they continue to grow their team of staff and volunteers. Cox said wildlife rehabilitation relies heavily on dedicated individuals who assist with animal care, transportation, rescue, facility maintenance, administration, fundraising, and community outreach.

“The support of our volunteers has been instrumental to the hospital’s success and our ability to care for an increasing number of patients, as we are a registered non-profit charity, funded through grants and donations. We always have space for more volunteers.”

Those interested can apply on their website at <https://www.nationalwildlifecentre.ca/volunteer-with-us/>.

The wildlife hospital is located in Caledon, but they intentionally do not publish their exact address – all calls must go through the hotline, open seven days per week, 365 days per year. They take calls for assistance from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Most calls are answered immediately by our dedicated staff, however if the line is busy, we return messages promptly, so they encourage callers to leave a call back number, location and reason for their call.

Members of the public who encounter injured or orphaned wildlife are encouraged to call us at 416-577-4372 before intervening whenever possible, as staff can provide guidance on the safest and most appropriate course of action.

For more information, or to make a donation (a tax receipt is provided), please visit www.nationalwildlifecentre.ca, and follow us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/national-wildlifecentre> or Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/nationalwildlifecentre>.

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Goats in the City program spreads awareness

At Goats in the City, they treat their goats with care and respect. They aren't just workers, they are family.

Founded in 2020 with a vision to transform urban landscapes through sustainable practices, they have grown to become a trusted name in the industry and a sanctuary for goats.

They actively participate in community events, to engage with a wider audience and spread awareness, as they did recently at The Schomberg Community Farm for the annual Schomberg Horticultural Society garden tour. They strive to make learning about sustainable land management, and goat target grazing a fun and memorable experience for everyone in the community. The three goats that visited The Farm for the day, were only 5 months old, and there for education and cuteness, rather than working on any land clearing.

Using goats for vegetation management offers several advantages. It is an environmentally friendly method that avoids the use of chemicals or heavy machinery. Goats can access difficult or sensitive areas, promote soil health through natural fertilization, help with invasive species and control of wildfires and engage the community in a unique and educational way.

The goats clear land at a rate of approximately 1 acre every 4 to 5 days, depending on the density of the vegetation. Using state-of-the-art electric fencing you can be assured, Goats in the City from King Township are responsible stewards of both your land and their goats. Contact them if you can use their services or for more information. <https://goatsinthecity.ca/>



A Main Street Christmas Poster Competition 2026

Each year, the Schomberg Village Association presents A Main Street Christmas, one of King Township's most cherished holiday traditions. We invite artists to submit their vision for the 2026 Main Street Christmas Commemorative Poster.

The selected artwork will become the official poster representing the event and will be featured in promotional materials throughout the community.

The winning artist will receive: \$500 cash; a plaque of the poster; four passes to the Schomberg Main Street Christmas.

The final poster size will be 11" x 18." The central image designed by the artist is approximately portrait 8 x 10 inches. Initial artwork may be larger, but the same ratio should apply.

They are looking for a basic, clear sketch that can show us concept and references are also helpful for us to understand your style and direction.

Contestants must be from York Region, Caledon or Simcoe County.

All 2D media are welcome (oil, acrylic, watercolor, etc.). Colours should be eye-catching.

Must contain a sleigh, and have a winter theme.

Submissions that embrace community spirit and/or village life will be viewed favourably.

Submission should include the story or description of the meaning behind the design.

The poster must be visually compatible or sympathetic to previous posters. There will be a black background, containing the required information. It is responsibility of the artist to provide the central image.

Initial submissions are due August 31. The notification of winning artist will be made Sept. 15 and the poster completion is anticipated by Oct. 15.

Copyright: Artwork copyright remains with the artist, but the artist grants the Schomberg Village Association (and its heirs and assigns) the right to reproduce the artwork as part of the poster or derivative collateral (including, but not limited to rack cards, website images and/or other promotional or commemorative material) in perpetuity.

Visit <http://www.amainstreetchristmas.com/poster-competiton.html> for more details.

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16. Negatives

17. Rescued

18. Self-immolation by fire ritual

19. Assigns tasks

21. Popular type of cigar

22. Discounts

23. The whole quantity

24. New York Giants legend

25. Indicates before

28. Lentils

29. Extremely angry

31. Body part

33. "North Star State"

36. David __, US playwright

38. Lower and raise one's head

39. Private rendezvous

41. In a way, improved

44. A place to play

45. Astronomical period of 18 years

46. Automobile

48. Something you can take

49. A radio band

51. Jaws of a voracious animal

52. Short-billed rails

54. Chinese province

56. Shameless

60. Horizontal passage from the surface into a mine

61. Indian respectful titles

62. Fail to entertain

63. Dried-up

64. Central Utah city

65. Southern U.S.

66. German river

67. Necessary for breathing

68. Put into play

CLUES DOWN

1. Curved segment

2. Wings

3. Yellowish volatile liquid

4. Makes less severe

5. Debit note

6. Overhang

7. The nights before

8. Type of light

9. Lacking enthusiasm

10. Tattle

11. Some is "heavy"

12. One who is canonized

14. Indicates date and place of writing

17. "Peace" in Arabic

20. "Olaf" actor Josh

21. Fragmented rock

23. They __

25. Advanced degree

26. Backside

27. Influential architect and design couple

29. An act of undue intimacy

30. Words from which later words are derived

32. 10 meters

34. Neither

35. Fungal sacs

37. The law of God revealed to Moses

40. A woolen cap of Scottish origin

42. A promise

43. Challenges

47. British Air Aces

49. Large bank

50. Served as an omen

52. Cavalry sword

53. Vaccine developer

55. Belgian WW2 resistance leader Jules

56. Italian Seaport

57. Hip joint

58. __ Clapton, musician

59. Insect repellent

61. Constrictor snake

65 "The First State" (abbr.)

No one has more self-confidence than the person who does a crossword puzzle with a pen.

McMichael Canadian Art Collection announces temporary closure to begin landmark redevelopment

The McMichael Canadian Art Collection, home to one of the foremost collections of Canadian and Indigenous art, is temporarily closed to the public to begin a landmark redevelopment of its building and grounds. Construction is expected to begin in fall 2026 and to be completed in 2029.

Led by the award-winning Canadian firm Hariri Pontarini Architects, the redevelopment marks the first major investment in the McMichael site in more than forty years, adding 60% more space for exhibitions, education, conservation and public programming while modernizing outdated building systems and facilities. The project will also add state-of-the-art classrooms and studios to nurture the next generation of Canadian creativity, along with purpose-built spaces for events, concerts, lectures, conferences and dining.

This transformative project is made possible thanks to a visionary investment of up to \$50 million over three years from the Government of Ontario. To date, the project has also received an additional \$25 million from the Government of Canada’s Green and Inclusive Community Buildings program and the vital support of private donors who have contributed more than \$50 million.

Together, these contributions will ensure that the McMichael continues to inspire Canadians – and visitors from around the world – for generations to come. The redevelopment will maintain beloved heritage elements of the McMichael’s original home, including the low roofline and timber-and-stone construction, and will be designed to meet CAGBC Zero Carbon Building Standards, underscoring the McMichael’s strong commitment to environmental sustainability.

During the construction period, much of the McMichael’s landmark collection will remain accessible through touring exhibitions of Canadian art across the country and abroad. Educational programs will also continue in schools and other venues.

The renewed McMichael will welcome visitors of all ages with warm, inviting spaces to explore, learn and connect. As a vibrant cultural gathering place, it will play a vital role in building a shared sense of identity and belong-

ing – bringing people together through creativity, inclusion, sustainability and respect for the land and the many stories it holds.

“This is a defining moment for the McMichael and for the cultural life of our country. With the extraordinary support of the Government of Ontario and the Government of Canada, and the generosity of our donors, we are reimagining this beloved institution for the future – expanding our ability to share Canadian and Indigenous art, to educate and inspire, and to welcome more communities than ever before. We can’t wait to get started,” added Andy Pringle, Chair, Board of Trustees, McMichael Canadian Art Collection.

“We are delighted to be embarking on this exciting voyage forward, giving Canadians the world-class museum that our rich culture deserves, from coast to coast to coast, and from past to present. The McMichael is the place where it all comes together,” noted Sarah Milroy, Frances and Tim Price Executive Director and Chief Curator.

“Our government is proud to support the redevelopment of the McMichael Canadian Art Collection, with construction starting this fall. With Canadian sovereignty front and center, the McMichael redevelopment will protect this institution for another generation, promoting the values, identity, and symbols that define us. Ontario’s landmark \$50 million investment will renew this iconic space in Vaughan as we stand up for Canada — the True North Strong and Free,” added Stephen Lecce, MPP for King–Vaughan.

On April 8, 2025, the Government of Ontario announced an investment of up to \$50 million to the McMichael capital campaign, to ensure that one of the country’s most important collections of Canadian and Indigenous art will continue to welcome and inspire visitors of all ages for generations to come.

On March 3, 2025, the Government of Canada announced a \$25 million investment through the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings (GICB) program to support the McMichael’s redevelopment.

Once completed, the project is expected to add an additional \$20 million in visitor spend to the region.

The McMichael’s permanent collection includes close to 8,000 artworks by Tom Thomson, the Group of Seven and their contemporaries, Indigenous artists, and artists from many diasporic communities.



Unique sculpture unveiled in King City

The community has been blessed with the installation of a unique sculpture.

Commissioned by JTF Homes, “Equivalent Exchange” by Mahyar Amiri, was unveiled recently.

Equivalent Exchange explores the relationship between sacrifice, perseverance, and achievement. It is inspired by the belief that “to obtain something, something of equal value must be lost,” reminding us that anything of lasting significance requires commitment, resilience, and the willingness to give before we can receive.

The sculpture’s ascending form represents the continuous pursuit of progress, while the polished stainless steel reflects the ever-changing world around it, symbolizing that growth, achievement, and legacy are shaped by the choices we make and the value we create over time.

Commissioned by Frank Campoli of JTF Homes on Dufferin across from CDS in the heritage church that has been repurposed as their offices.

“It’s a great addition to public art in the Township,” said Mayor Steve Pellegrini.



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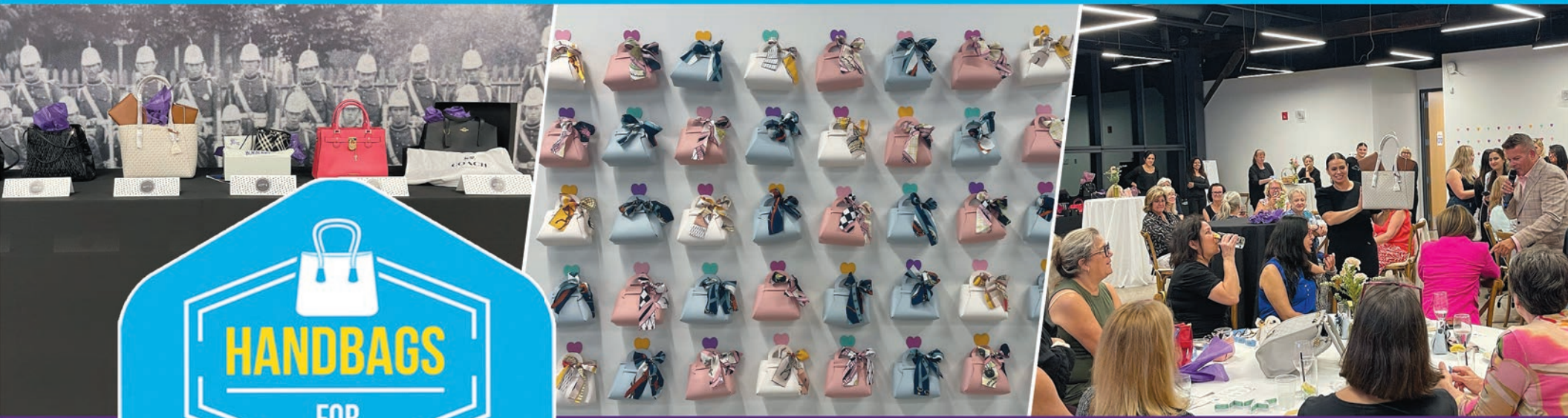
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Ontario is hosting 2026 Indy Race in Markham

The Ontario government is investing \$1.5 million to support the 2026 Ontario Honda Dealers Indy in Markham, strengthening Ontario’s position as a premier destination for world-class sporting events while supporting jobs, tourism and economic growth.

As the only Canadian stop on the NTT Indycar Series calendar, the event will take place from August 14 to 16, and is expected to draw more than 150,000 attendees over the three-day weekend, generating tens of millions in economic activity for the province through sport tourism, hospitality and event services.

“The Indy’s debut in Markham marks an exciting new chapter for one of Canada’s most recognized annual motor-sport events,” said Natalie Pierre, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Sport. “Following a landmark summer of international sport, Ontario has once again demonstrated that we are where the world comes to compete. Supporting this iconic event as it hits the track in Markham, our government is building on that momentum, growing sport tourism and reinforcing Ontario’s reputation as a premier destination for major sporting events.”

The Ontario Honda Dealers Indy is IndyCar’s second-oldest street race and will make its debut in Markham this year after nearly 40 years at Exhibition Place in Toronto. In 2025, the event generated more than \$85 million for Ontario’s economy and welcomed over 160,000 visitors. The government’s investment will help support event operations, enhance the fan experience, attract more international visitors and generate significant economic benefits for the province.

“Bringing the Ontario Honda Dealers Indy to Markham represents an exciting new chapter for our event, and the investment from the provincial government is pivotal in making it a reality,” said Jeff Atkinson, President of the Ontario Honda Dealers Indy at Markham.

“This support not only allows us to deliver a world-class motorsport experience for fans, but also drives significant tourism, supports local businesses, and showcases Markham and the entire region on a global stage.”

This investment builds on the government’s work to help communities unlock the economic benefits of sport tourism while creating more opportunities for children, youth and families to participate in sport and recreation. Through investments like the \$500 million Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF), Ontario is building and upgrading facilities across the province, ensuring more people have access to quality spaces to play, compete and stay active while helping communities attract major sporting events that drive local economic growth.

Ontario invested \$1.5 million to support the 2026 RBC Canadian Open at TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley in Caledon. The signature Canadian event was expected to attract over 130,000 attendees and generate tens of millions in economic activity for the province.

Through the Ontario Sport Hosting Program, the province supports national and international amateur sporting events that drive tourism, strengthen local economies, showcase Ontario’s world-class venues and provide athletes with valuable high-performance competition opportunities.

Ontario invested \$97 million in funding and provincial services to support Toronto’s role as a host city for the FIFA World Cup 2026 and FIFA Fan Festival Toronto, creating over 8,700 jobs in Ontario and generating more than \$1.3 billion in economic activity across the province. As part of that funding, Ontario invested \$20 million to build the new Centennial Park sport training facility, which served as an official training site for the event before transitioning into a permanent community sport and recreation space.

Ontario is investing \$500 million through the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund to build new and upgrade existing facil-

ities, helping communities stay active and healthy, while creating jobs and attracting major sporting events that drive local economic growth.

Community invited to tee off in support of seniors on September 10

CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors – is inviting golfers, businesses, and community supporters to hit the links for a great cause at the 13th annual Tim Jones Classic Charity Golf Tournament on Thursday, Sept. 10, at the beautiful Lebovic Golf Club in Aurora.

For 12 years, the Tim Jones Classic Charity Golf Tournament has brought together businesses, community leaders, golfers, and generous supporters to make a lasting difference in the lives of local seniors. Together, the tournament has raised more than \$300,000 for CHATS.

This year, the aim is even higher. With a fundraising goal of more than \$200,000, CHATS hopes to not only reach – but exceed – the target in support of CHATS’s Transportation and Meals on Wheels programs.

“Every drive, putt, sponsorship, and donation helps ensure many seniors in York Region and South Simcoe have access to nutritious meals, reliable transportation to medical appointments and essential services, and the support they need to remain independent,” said Christina Bisanz, Chief Executive Officer, CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors. “We are incredibly grateful to our sponsors, participants, volunteers, and community partners who continue to make this event such a tremendous success year after year.”

The tournament proudly honours Tim Jones, former Mayor of Aurora, long-time CHATS staff member, and dedicated community champion whose commitment to improving the lives of local seniors continues to inspire the event each year.

Golfers are invited to enjoy a memorable day that includes 18 holes of golf, a hot buffet breakfast, on-course snacks and beverages, a gift bag for every registered golfer, and much more.

Early Bird registration is available until July 31.

Sponsorship opportunities are avail-

able at a variety of levels, offering valuable recognition while demonstrating a commitment to supporting older adults in our community.

To register, sponsor the event, or purchase Support & Win tickets, visit the tournament registration page here: The Tim Jones Classic Charity Golf Tournament – Canada helps or contact Mona Shaher at mshaher@chats.on.ca

CHATS – Community & Home Assistance to Seniors – is a not-for-profit charitable organization that has been providing home and community support services for older adults and caregivers for more than four decades. Serving York Region and South Simcoe, CHATS delivers programs that promote health, wellbeing, independence, and quality of life, helping thousands of people remain safely in their homes and connected to their communities.



Local diamonds revamped

Two baseball diamonds in King Township just got called up to the big leagues. The Parks and Forestry team stepped up to the plate to revitalize the baseball diamonds at Ansnorveldt Park and Osin Lions Park. Built in-house by Township staff, these improvements support local baseball programming, community events and active recreation for residents of all ages.

The Laskay Ladies, c. 1903



The Laskay Ladies Basketball Team was playing nearly a decade before the famous Edmonton Grads were established in 1912.

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One step at a time: join community in support of the Terry Fox Run

Every September people across Canada lace up their running shoes to honour Terry Fox’s dream of a world without cancer. This year our community has an especially meaningful reason to come together.

The King Terry Fox Run will take

place Sept. 20, from 9 a.m. to noon, at Wellesley Park (NW corner of King Road & Keele St.).

Among those taking part is a young mother, Danielle King

“Terry Fox has always meant so much to me, but over the years his story

Oakville SC edges International FC 1-0 in Vaughan-King club’s final home game of season

By Jim Stewart

The voiceover from the long-running Pizzaville radio ads opens his narratives with “It was a RAINY day” and, indeed, it was when IFC Senior Men’s squad took to the saturated turf of ZASC Stadium to battle division rival Oakville SC on Sunday afternoon.

The final game of IFC’s inaugural OPL1 season showcased the best of times and the worst of times for the local Vaughan-King soccer club.

Luckily, the all-day rain relented for most of the match so fans and players could enjoy some drier early-August conditions without water wings.

Unluckily, IFC’s pregame rev up song “I Gotta Feeling (that Tonight’s Gonna Be a Good Night)” by the Black Eyed Peas seemed to inspire the visitors. Thirty seconds into the match, a good ‘night’ for Oakville started when fore-checking forward Blake Davies picked off an errant defensive zone pass by IFC. The opportunist kicked one into the lower right corner past the yellow-clad Evan Moreau to give Oakville a very early 1-0 lead that was not relinquished.

Powerhouse Oakville, sporting their lilac jerseys, also found a way to contain the high-scoring forward duo of Orlendis Benitez Hernandez and George Akpabio, keeping IFC off the scoreboard for the remainder of the match.

When hard-driving IFC created scoring opportunities for the remaining 98 minutes of play, pink-clad Oakville goaltender Taj Moore found a way to surround and catch dangerous chances by the home side or he deftly deflected promising arcing shots from making their way into the onion bag. If the OPL1 did a post-game Man of the Match ceremony, the stellar play of Moore would have been honored.

Moore was particularly effective in stopping a pair of incursions by talented IFC midfielder Mashood Rehman

who was thwarted in the 76th minute when his hard shot in the box – labeled for the lower left corner – was caught by the athletic Oakville goalkeeper. Moore came up big in the 81st minute when he surrounded and corralled a dangerous, rapid shot by Rehman who looked away in disbelief when the ball did not find the back of the net.

After a chippy, close-checking contest during which numerous yellow cards were held aloft, emotions were running high.

Despite a furious and valiant effort to get the equalizer in six minutes of extra time, IFC came out empty. The club’s frustrations boiled over into an end-of-game melee. For a brief moment, it appeared that a hockey game had broken out as heated words led to some punches exchanged at mid-field.

The persistent yapping by Oakville defenders Justin Cabral and Brandon Duarte – who were vocal complainers throughout the game – incited most of the incendiary moments. It was evident that IFC’s Alejandro Portal had enough of Cabral’s incessant trash talk who was mocking the IFC bench while lying on the turf in the waning moments of the game. IFC Head Coach Giuseppe Mattace Raso immersed himself in the on-field imbroglio as the passionate bench boss came to the defense of his players while expressing his abject displeasure with the end-of-game refereeing. Consequently, Coach Mattace Raso and IFC Goalkeeper Coach Ryan Zamora were punished with red cards as was Oakville’s Anthony Wright who was at the centre of the final dust-up.

With the narrow loss to third-place Oakville on Sunday, IFC slipped to 4-10-5 and 10th in the Senior Men’s Division 1 standings. IFC will look to close its first season on a winning note on the road at Cambrian College on Wednesday, August 12 when they battle the 11th place Sudbury Cyclones.



Danielle and her family Peyton (5), Michael Froio, and Emmitt (2).

has become even more personal.

“As a brain tumour survivor, I’ve experienced firsthand how quickly life can change. I’ve faced surgeries, uncertainty, setbacks, and challenges I never imagined. Through it all, Terry’s courage has reminded me that strength isn’t about never struggling – it’s about choosing to keep going, even on the hardest days. His story has shaped the way I live and the way I face my own challenges and for that, I’ll always be grateful.”

Danielle’s determination reminds us why Terry Fox’s legacy continues to inspire millions. Terry believed that ordinary people could accomplish extraordinary things when united by compassion and purpose. More than four decades later that message is as powerful as ever.

For this young family, every day is precious. Her children see a mother who continues to smile, love and fight with remarkable courage. By joining the Terry Fox Run, Danielle is showing them and all of us that the Terry Fox Run is about much more than walking or running a few kilometers. It is about standing beside our friends, neighbors, and loved ones who have been touched by cancer. It is about remembering

those we have lost, supporting those who are still fighting and investing in research that offers hope for future generations.

When you register, donate, volunteer, or simply come out to cheer on participants, you become part of something much bigger than yourself. Every step taken helps fund innovative cancer research and brings us closer to the day when fewer families will hear the words, “you have cancer.”

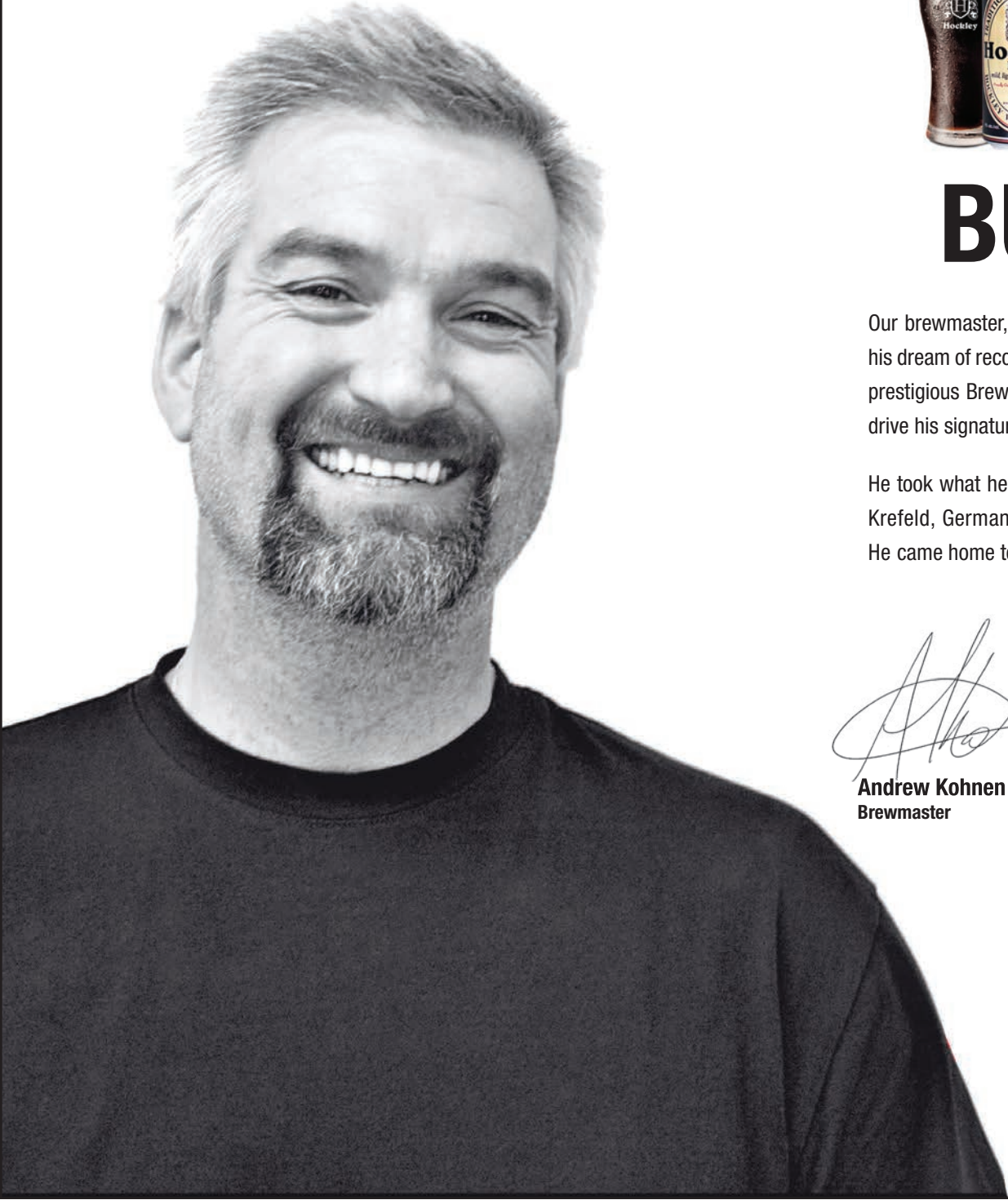
Whether you walk 1 km. or 10 km. your presence matters.

Join the community as participants walk alongside Danielle’s family and countless others whose lives have been touched by cancer. Together we can honour Terry Fox’s extraordinary vision and help ensure that his Marathon of Hope continues to make a difference.

Bring your family, invite your friends, and help make every step count (walk, run, bike, rollerblade, wheelchair and stroller accessible).

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YOUR BEAUTY, HEALTH & WELLNESS GUIDE

(NC) We live in a world dominated by screens. While technology has made certain areas of our lives easier and more streamlined, too much screentime can be bad for children.

In fact, according to a Statistics Canada study, nearly 40 per cent of Canadian youth are spending more time looking at screens than recommended. One way for parents to build deeper connections with their children is to keep it classic and switch off the devices.

PLAY IN THE WATER

In the summer, it's lovely to be outdoors. Setting up the sprinkler for games in the yard or visiting a local splash pad are ways to enjoy the sun while staying cool and active. As it gets colder, you can head inside to a community pool or hot tub. For wellness enthusiasts, cold plunges are growing in popularity across the country.

Water can help support both mental and physical health. You can also find attractions with splashy fun close to home. For example, Canadians of all ages will be able to enjoy a year-round water-based experience with the opening of Therme Canada, a combo water-park and spa, coming to Toronto. You can learn more at thermecanada.com.

MAKE YOUR KITCHEN A FAMILY SPACE

One way to bring the family together at dinner time is with a weekly meal tradition—think Taco Tuesdays or weekend pancakes. It gives kids something to look forward to, while building some fun into your routine.

If your kids are able, consider getting them involved in meal prep. This can help them learn more about their food and build useful skills while the whole family bonds.

When it comes time to sit down and eat, turn off the screens. Instead, use that time to connect, ask questions, share tidbits from the day or plans for the following.

HEAD OUT FOR EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

Once you've finished eating, try going for a family walk. It can help with digestion, heart health, blood sugar management and more. Plus, it's nice to just get outside. Whether you're living in the city, suburbs or

countryside, there's no shortage of places to explore: local ravines, trails, parks, art and skyline views.

If your family prefers a faster pace, consider strapping on rollerblades or hopping on a bike. If you've got younger kids, nature-based scavenger hunts can be an effective way to keep them engaged outside. Bring a container and let them find some organic treasures.

By looking up from your screens and putting the devices down, the whole family can get a new perspective on how to find fun together and build deeper, more meaningful connections.

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Summertime hydration strategies



Summer is a season to spend outdoors soaking up some sun. But all that time outdoors can pose some health risks if people are not careful.

THE DANGERS of overexposure to the sun are well-documented. Sunburn is one such threat that can not only lead to discomfort, but also increase a person's risk for skin cancer. But sunburn is easily prevented with the use of sunscreen, and that's not the only summertime threat that's easily avoided.

Dehydration occurs when the body loses more fluids than it takes in. Come the dog days of summer, it's easy to lose fluids when spending time outdoors. Sweating is one way to lose fluid on a hot day, but there are myriad ways to avoid dehydration once the hot weather kicks in.

• DON'T WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE THIRSTY TO DRINK WATER.

According to NHS Inform, the national health information service of Scotland, thirst is typically the brain's way of warning individuals that they are dehydrated. So it's unwise to wait until you're thirsty to drink water. A proactive approach can help to prevent dehydration, especially when spending time outdoors on hot days.

• TAKE BREAKS FOR WATER.

A mid-morning coffee break or a mid-afternoon snack break are part of many people's daily routines. You also can incorporate drinking water into your daily routine.

When pouring your morning coffee or tea, pour yourself a glass of water as well. When reaching for a mid-afternoon snack, pour yourself another glass of water.

• KEEP A WATER JOURNAL.

Documenting your daily water intake is one way to overcome forgetfulness in relation to remaining hydrated. Smartphone apps like Water Reminder and Plant Nanny can help people remember to drink water throughout the day. For those who prefer a more traditional approach to journaling, keep a small notebook near your desk or in your pocket when going outdoors so you can always know when your most recent water break occurred.

• LOOK TO FOODS TO STAY HYDRATED.

Drinking water isn't the only way to ensure you stay hydrated. Various foods are loaded with water. Henry Ford Health* notes that watermelon, berries, bell peppers, and grapes are water-rich foods that can help you stay hydrated.

Dehydration can creep up on hot summer days and put people in serious jeopardy. That's why it's imperative that people make a concerted effort to hydrate and do not wait until they're thirsty to enjoy a glass of water on a hot summer day.

Why your brain health deserves more attention

(NC) It seems like, in the information age, there's more health advice to sort through than ever. While it can sometimes be overwhelming, many Canadians are paying more attention to things like their gut, heart and lung health. But one part of the body that doesn't always get attention is the very part that's processing all this health information: your brain.

Preserving your brain health is a vital part of maintaining overall well-being as you age. Health risks affecting the brain can have a life-altering impact. Alzheimer's disease, for example, is a devastating illness that can impact brain health in many ways. It slowly erodes a person's memories and even personality.

Alzheimer's affects tens of thousands of Canadians each year, slowly taking away their independence and placing a heavy emotional burden on families and caregivers.

There's currently no way to reverse the disease, which makes proactive measures especially important. Regular checkups with your doctor or a qualified health care professional are essential for maintaining your brain health and diagnosing issues early. Recognizing the potential signs and symptoms of early Alzheimer's makes timely intervention possible.

An early diagnosis enables individuals living with the disease to access proper care, make

informed decisions and benefit from early treatments, including disease-modifying therapies (DMTs). These are newer treatment options, and include lecanemab, the first of its kind, recently approved for use in Canada.

DMTs can play a key role in helping preserve brain health and quality of life: unlike previous treatments to manage symptoms, these therapies are designed to target the underlying cause of the disease, helping to slow progression in early stages. This could mean having more time to enjoy special moments with your loved ones, staying engaged in community life or maintaining a sense of purpose and identity.

Your brain may be the most complex part of you, but it's an organ, like any other. By treating it like a physical part of yourself that needs to stay healthy, and getting monitored regularly for signs of issues, such as Alzheimer's, you can give your brain the care it needs.

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Cannabis in Healthcare: New Possibilities for People and Pets

Cannabis has become an increasingly familiar part of healthcare. In human medicine, it is being explored and used to help manage symptoms such as chronic pain, nausea and certain neurological conditions. Research continues to evolve, helping healthcare professionals better understand where cannabis may offer benefits and how it can be used responsibly.

That same curiosity is now extending to veterinary medicine. Like people, dogs and cats have an endocannabinoid system, which maintains homeostasis and helps regulate balance throughout the body. This shared biology has encouraged growing research into how cannabinoids may support animals living with chronic pain, arthritis, anxiety, poor appetite, seizures and serious illness.

For some pets, cannabis may be considered as one part of a broader treatment plan, particularly when the goal is to improve comfort, mobility or quality of life. Every animal is different, however, and the type of product, concentration, cannabinoid profile and possible interactions with other medications all matter.

At King Animal Hospital, veterinary cannabis counselling offers pet owners an opportunity to explore these possibilities with informed guidance. Virgilia Libert, a Registered Veterinary Technician, Certified Canine Rehabilitation Practitioner and Veterinary Cannabis Counsellor, works alongside pet owners, veterinarians and, when needed, King Animal Hospital's board-certified specialists.

Consultations focus on harm reduction education, product quality and safety, thoughtful administration plans, and careful monitoring of the pet's response.

"Cannabis should never be viewed as a standalone option, but rather as one component of a multimodal treatment plan and something pet owners don't have to navigate alone," says Libert. "Our role is to provide clear education, reduce risk and make sure any consideration of cannabis supports the veterinarian's treatment plan and the pet's overall quality of life."

The most important message is not to give a pet cannabis simply because a product is labelled natural, hemp-based or CBD. Hemp seed oil, for example, is not the same as CBD. Product concentration, chemical composition, interactions and the animal's health all matter.

Veterinary cannabis is still an emerging area of care, but it offers intriguing possibilities. For pet owners wondering whether it could support their animal, the best place to begin is an open conversation with their veterinary care team.



Virgilia Libert, Registered Veterinary Technician and Veterinary Cannabis Counsellor at King Animal Hospital, helps pet owners explore how cannabis may fit safely within a broader veterinary treatment plan.

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Did you know?

Increasing time spent outdoors enjoying nature can positively affect mood and mental health. Generally speaking, outdoor enthusiasts tend to be happier overall.

The American Psychological Association says spending time in nature is linked to both cognitive benefits and improvements in mood, mental health and emotional well-being. Both green spaces and blue (aquatic) spaces benefit overall well-being. Several years ago, the University of Derby in the United Kingdom conducted a study titled, “The 30 Days Wild.” The study encouraged people to do something wild once a day for 30 days. Participants shared that their connection to nature and doing things in nature created a significant increase in happiness and health. People who spend more time outside can experience greater self-esteem, less stress, increased memory retention, and more positive body image. Natural environments also lower activity in the rumination area of the brain, decreasing negative, repetitive thoughts. Also, those who are outside more tend to be engaging in physical activities, and exercise directly correlates to better mental health.



Can you develop food allergies as an adult?

(NC) Most people assume food allergies are a childhood condition that you either grow up with or outgrow. But for a growing number of Canadians, the first signs are showing up later in life.

“Adult-onset allergies are more common than people realize,” says Dr. Harold Kim, an allergist and immunologist. “The challenge is that adults are more likely to dismiss symptoms or assume it was something else, and that can be dangerous.”

WHEN SYMPTOMS DON'T SEEM SERIOUS

Symptoms like hives, upset stomach, scratchy throat or even chest pain after eating can be easy to blame on stress, a stomach bug or acid reflux. This tendency to explain away reactions can delay a proper diagnosis and leave you unprepared to respond if a severe reaction happens.

WHY REACTIONS CAN CHANGE OVER TIME

Allergic reactions don't always stay the same and can change as we age. Research indicates that factors like declining physical activity and underlying health conditions such as cardiovascular disease or respiratory illness can make an allergic reaction worse.

“An allergy that caused mild symptoms in your 40s may present very differently in your 60s,” says Dr. Kim. “Age-related changes to the immune system and

the presence of other conditions can change how your body responds.”

An allergic reaction can happen fast and without warning. If you've noticed a pattern of repeated symptoms after eating a particular food, it's important to see your doctor and not ignore it.

An allergist can confirm a diagnosis through testing, help identify triggers and advise on how to manage it, including whether carrying emergency epinephrine medication, like an EpiPen, is recommended. The earlier an allergy is properly diagnosed, the safer you can be.

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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. We welcome Nick Renaud as our guest preacher.

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 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.

St. Paul’s monthly men’s group meet on the first Saturday of every month which includes a scrumptious breakfast. Our next meeting will be this Saturday, Sept. 5 at 9 a.m.

St. Mary’s &
St. Patrick’s

St. Patrick’s annual Cemetery Mass will be held on Saturday, August 22 at 11 a.m. If raining, mass will be held at St. Patrick’s Parish.

Life Chain is an annual pro-life event taking place across North America. Please join us this year at Hwy. 27 and King Road in Nobleton on Sunday, October 4 from 2 to 3 p.m. to pray and provide a prophetic witness to the community. You will be provided with a sign to hold during the hour. When much of the rest of the our society is content to ignore the youngest members of our human family, we must “speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,” as Proverbs 31:8 reminds us. Please see the poster in the foyer of the Church for more information.

Nobleton Seniors (55+)
By Joanne Bailey
Program Chair

Regular Nobleton King Connections 55+ Scheduled Programs are:
Regular scheduled educational Thursday events have ended for the summer months.

We will resume on Thursday September 10, 2026, at 10am. Fall events to be announced in August.

CHATS 55+ Fitness Program (FULL). Wednesdays 1:45 to 2:45 p.m. Nobleton Senior Room – Nobleton Arena.

This program is currently full, however, participants can still join the waitlist if interested. The next session will start in September. More details to be released in August.

Cards and Social – Wednesdays 6:30 – 8:15 p.m. Nobleton Senior Room – Nobleton Arena. Join us for cards and social time. Various games to choose from!

A valid King Connections 55+ membership is required.

Art Social – Fridays 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Nobleton Senior Room – Nobleton Arena. Join us for conversations and art making. Bring your own creative projects and enjoy making art side by side. Participants are required to bring their own supplies.

A valid King Connections 55+ membership is required.

Non-members are welcome in all King Connections 55+ programs. There is a fee \$3 for residents and \$5 for non-residents.

Valid King Connections 55+ mem-

bers have access to daily drop-in programs out of all 3 senior spaces – King City Seniors Centre, Nobleton Senior Room and Trisan Centre. Members also receive discounts and a weekly email to stay up to date with all King 55+ programs and services. To learn more about becoming a King Connections 55+ member visit king.ca/seniors, email seniors@king.ca or call 905-833-6565.

Garden Club

Join the Nobleton & King City Garden Club, we’ll get ya growing! No gardening experience is required, just a willingness to learn about gardening and nature. Our meetings are held on the 4th Monday of each month between March and November at Laskay Hall 2920 King Rd., King City. No meetings in July and August. Guest speakers present at each meeting on a variety of garden-related topics. Our line-up for the rest of the year is as follows, Monday, September 28, “Garden Maintenance with Pollinators and Birds in mind.” Speaker Dorte Windmuller. Monday, October 26, will be our last speaker, Dugald Cameron presenting “All About Summer Flowering Bulbs.”

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Nobleton Notes

From Page B4

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Kingcrafts Studio
Art Show & Sale

Showcasing local talent, we invite you to come engage with the artists and other art lovers. Browse & shop a variety of unique fine art pieces. We look forward to welcoming you!

The show runs Saturday, September 26, and Sunday, September 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Kingcrafts Studio is located at 12936 Keele Street, King City.

Nobleton Lions

Proceeds from the Club's fundraising events go to organizations such as the Mackenzie Health Foundation which provides valuable services to our community.

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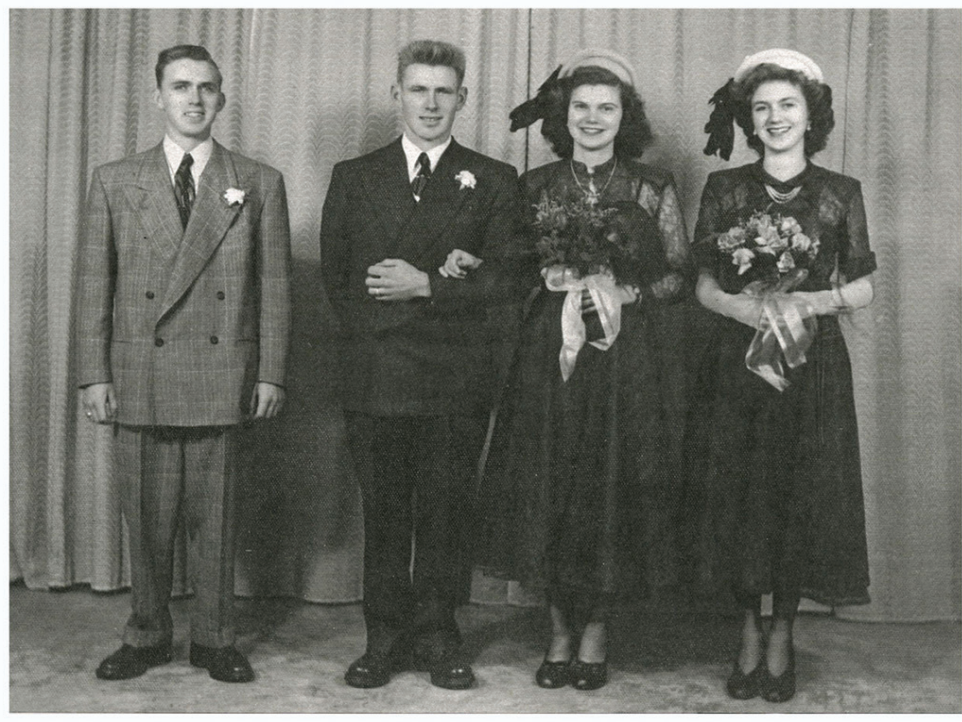
Regular meetings of the Nobleton Lions Club are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month from September to mid-June, and will resume on September 8. The Lions continue to welcome new members with a heart to serve, both men and women.

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 which can be accessed by googling "www.Nobleton Lions Club" At the website on the Upcoming Events page you will also see announcements for events offered by non-profit organizations in King. If you have an activity that qualifies, please contact

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By Susan Heslop

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Motorized vehicles

Speaking of summer and summer activities, King Township parks wants to remind you that trails are for people-powered (non-motorized) recreational activities, like walking, running, and cycling. Riding motorized vehicles, such as pocket bikes, dirt bikes, minibikes, ebikes, ATVs, and motorized scooters, is prohibited in King Township's parks and trails. Non-compliance can lead to fines up to \$5,000, and vehicles may be impounded. To report violations seen in parks or on trails, email Service King at serviceking@king.ca. To report motorized vehicle violations on sidewalks or roadways, call the York Regional Police non-emergency line 1-866-876-5423.

E-waste collection

King is hosting an e-waste drop off on Saturday, August 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Trisan.

Bird watching

The Bird Watching Club will meet on

Saturday August 15, details to follow.

Artists sought

Calling all artists! "A Main Street Christmas" is searching for a local artist to create the featured artwork for their 2026 commemorative poster. The medium can be a 2D artwork, including oil, acrylic or watercolour. The theme is winter and must include a sleigh, and bright eye-catching colours are encouraged. The selected artist will receive \$500 cash, a commemorative plaque featuring the poster, four event passes. You can apply at Schomberg.ca.

Farmers' Market

Calling all local farm stands, produce growers, artisans, handmade goods vendors, and food producers! Take part in the first-ever Harvest King Fall Farmers Market on Sunday, Oct. 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the King Township Municipal Centre. Hosted in partnership with the King Environmental Action Team, this free community event celebrates the deep agricultural roots that continue to shape King Township today.

Vendor details: Space: 10' x 10', Set-up: 8 to 9:15 a.m., Teardown: 2 to 3 p.m. Table rentals (6 and 8 ft): \$15 (plus HST). Fees to secure a spot are \$25 (plus HST) for businesses; spots are free for designated Township community group affiliates.

Connect directly with residents, attract new customers, and build brand awareness in King Township and beyond! Apply online by September 4 at king.ca/KEAT

Sip & Savour

Mark your calendars King Township Food Bank is thrilled to announce Pura Vida, our 13th Annual Sip & Savour fundraiser, happening Thursday, Oc-

tober 22 at Holland Marsh Wineries. Volunteers are working creatively behind the scenes to bring you an immersive Costa Rican rainforest experience that you won't want to miss. Whether you're a longtime supporter or curious first-timer, Sip & Savour delivers a great night of good food, fun and fundraising for a good cause. Tickets go on sale soon — stay tuned for details.

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

Euchre is every Thursday night at Trisan in the Curling Lounge from 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.

Schomberg 55+

Our next bus trip will be Toronto City Lunch/Boat Tour scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 15, max capacity 50, \$159 for members, \$169 for non-members. Pick up at both the Trisan and King City Arena. You'll enjoy a bus tour of the city with Bruce Bell, followed by lunch at the Hot House Café, then a guided harbour cruise followed by a visit to

the Cheese Boutique, return home by 6 p.m. You can sign up online or in person at Trisan, King City Senior Centre, Zancor or Nobleton Arena

Our Schomberg 55+ Group is taking a summer break and will be back September 3. We have lots of exciting things lined up for the fall, so stay tuned for our fall line-up.

Please note that all the weekly activities end this week and will resume in September, except for bid euchre which will be going through the summer; it will change over Wednesdays 1 to 3:30 p.m. in Multi Room A at Trisan.

Annual 2026 memberships remain at \$20 for King Township residents, \$25 for non-residents. For members that hold a valid Rec Pass at the Trisan Centre, the 55+ membership fee is included at no additional cost.

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.

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\$5,499,000



100+ ACRE BISON/BEEF FARM
ADJALA
\$4,890,000



REMARKABLE 100 ACRES
HOCKLEY VALLEY
\$3,125,000



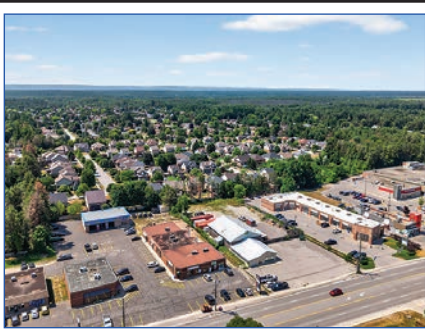
EXECUTIVE COUNTRY LIVING
10 ACRES – NEW TECUMSETH
\$2,999,000



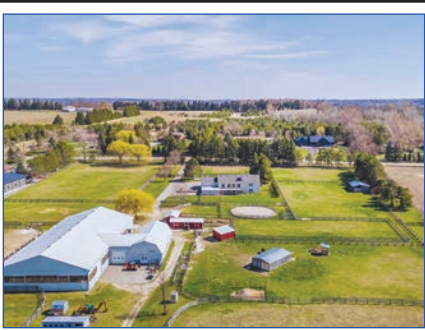
99 ACRES PRIME
AGRICULTURAL - ESSA
\$2,900,000



EQUESTRIAN FARM
50 ACRES - CALEDON
\$2,795,000



LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION!
PRIME ANGUS RETAIL
\$2,500,000



21 ACRES
EQUINE & SHOP
\$2,500,000



119 ACRE FARM
RURAL MONO
\$2,400,000



EXECUTIVE ESTATE – CUSTOM
BUNGALOW, 2 ACRES
CALEDON - \$2,199,000



FOREST VIEW HOME
ALLISTON
\$1,999,000



EXPANSIVE WALKOUT BUNGALOW
40 ACRES – NEW TECUMSETH
\$1,999,000



PRIVATE 10 ACRES W/SHOP
NEW TECUMSETH
\$1,839,900



BEETON CREEK ESTATES
3.38 ACRES – NEW TECUMSETH
\$1,798,000



LEGAL DUPLEX
ALLISTON
\$949,000



COUNTRY LIVING
MINUTES TO ALLISTON
\$895,000



FAMILY FRIENDLY
NEIGHBOURHOOD - TOTTENHAM
\$799,999



MOVE-IN READY BUNGALOW
BRADFORD
\$799,900



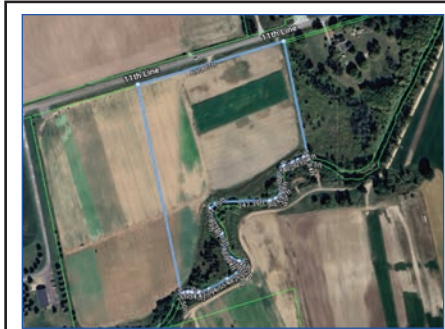
INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY
LEGAL TRI-PLEX – BAXTER
\$789,900



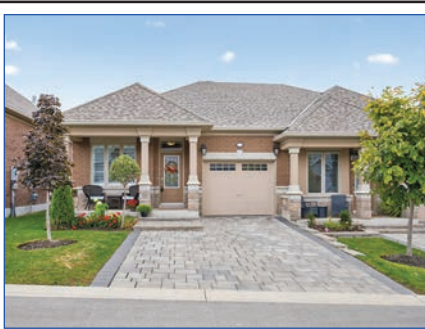
UPDATED 3-BEDROOM
BACKSPLIT, ALLISTON
\$749,900



HEART OF ALLISTON
1.5 STOREY HOME
\$699,000



BUILD YOUR DREAM HOME
11 ACRES – NEW TECUMSETH
\$695,000



BEAUTIFULLY CRAFTED BUNGALOW
BRIAR HILL – ALLISTON
\$679,900



BUILDING LOT - EXCLUSIVE
MONO HILLS COUNTRY CLUB
\$650,000



1 ACRE BUILDING LOT
ADJALA
\$489,900



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