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Province overrules Peel Region in approving Mayfield West development

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

The Ontario government has superseded the regional government in Peel by giving developers the green light to move forward with plans to construct empty land in Mayfield West.

A ministerial zoning order (MZO) was issued for the development of the Mayfield West area on July 10. The MZO was requested by members of Caledon Council.

The development plans will bring much employment to the local area, says Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson, and will see residential and commercial amenities boosted in the area. The Town took the step to request the MZO after watching the proposed development of Mayfield West stall in recent years. Constructing the area, it is believed, will provide a big boost to the Caledon community.

All members of Caledon Council approved the decision to lobby the provincial government, except one.

Ward 5 Regional Councillor Annette Groves, took to social media recently, displaying her anger with the Province, Region and fellow Caledon council members for allowing this development to move forward.

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Local business creates online petition to keep parking spots

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

The local business community has launched a petition to keep parking spaces available in downtown Bolton.

Mona Nasiri, owner of Bolton Pharmasave, began an online petition last week to get the Town of Caledon to hear the collective voices of the business community regarding parking in the downtown core of Bolton.

The Town has recently toyed with the idea of eliminating all parking on the west side of Queen Street, which Nasiri says will be detrimental for local businesses and will impact the number of customers shopping in the downtown area.

“Last week I had two people from the Town come in and they said they wanted to talk about the future plans for downtown Bolton. They asked if I noticed that they’ve already taken a few parking spots, and I had noticed,” said Nasiri. “I think it definitely impacted the business, but it’s for the safety of everybody and that’s fine. But they went on to explain their future plan to get rid of all parking on our side completely. I can only give up so much.”

Parking became limited when the Town

developed a more efficient way of keeping traffic moving in the downtown core, with new road lines and directions. To make this happen, some parking spots had to be given up.

Though there is available parking at Tim Hortons and the municipal parking lot, many of the local businesses rely on the road parking space for their customers.

“The majority of my patients and customers, they’re elderly or mobility is an issue for them, and they’ve already said they don’t know where to park and it’s really far, or hard for them to walk, especially when it comes to the heat, rain, snow or ice. It’s quite the distance for them,” said Nasiri. “It is quite inconvenient.”

Nasiri decided to put matters into her own hands, after hearing from other local businesses around Bolton, who agree that taking the parking away completely will greatly impact their business.

Rosa Alvarez, owner of Mille Notte, a local lingerie shop located in downtown Bolton, has also started a petition to create more awareness around the issue.

The Town clarified this week that eliminating all parking in the downtown core is not



PHOTO: ALYSSA PARKHILL

SAVE OUR PARKING SPOTS: Bolton Pharmasave owner Mona Nasiri has begun a community online petition to keep road parking spots available for her customers and neighbour businesses.

a final decision, but remains in conversation for the future. Nasiri is trying to steer that conversation into another direction.

“We don’t want to have an empty downtown. We want to support a healthy downtown, a beautiful downtown, where everyone feels comfortable and safe to come to,” she explained. “When they took away the couple parking spots, nobody told me about it. They just changed it.”

Peel Regional Council approved a week-long project that allows all-day on-street parking in downtown Bolton on June 27. The program began on Wednesday (July 22) and

ends on July 31, in order to gather data on whether all-day parking proves safer. The project included new road markings in the downtown core, including new and specific turning lanes, and hazard planters on the roadway to improve traffic safety. Check our story on Page A5 for further information on that initiative.

Nasiri’s petition has hit almost 80 signatures, and Alvarez’s has reached over 150.

For more information please visit Bolton Pharmasave or Mille Notte Facebook page, or learn more at peelregion.ca.

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“Doug Ford and his government granted yet another Ministerial Zoning Order to a group of developers in Caledon. These are the same group of developers that received

a number of these Ministerial Zoning Orders in Vaughan,” read her Facebook post. “Caledon Council claims that Caledon should plan Caledon, which is such hypocrisy, because the way I see it, is that a certain group of developers and the Province of Ontario is planning Caledon.”

The residential development is said to provide accommodation for up to 7,600 people and bring 550 new jobs to the community, stated Mayor Allan Thompson in his blog.

“Getting shovels in the ground will help stimulate our economy during these unprecedented times,” he stated.

Mayor Thompson organized the request for an MZO from the Province during the May 26 Town Council meeting claiming that Mayfield West Phase 2, Stage 2 has been going through a series of consultations and public meetings since 2017, but supposedly has been consistently held back by the Regional Council, which Mayor Thompson claimed was “inconsistent and confusing.”

“It is important to note that this development went through a transparent and robust public consultation process, with seven public meetings taking place since 2017. It’s also important to know that the experienced and professional planning staff at both the Town of Caledon and Region of Peel recommended, in detailed planning reports, the approval of this development,” Mayor Thompson wrote.

The Mayfield West Phase 2 began all the way back in 2002. In total, the project would bring a combined effort of over 21,000 more residents and jobs.

“Completing the Mayfield West Community is good for all of Caledon. Connected transportation, completion of a transit hub, variety of housing types, jobs, schools and additional parkland. It is a progressive and responsible way to grow,” said Mayor Thompson.

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Peel District School Board appoints new director of education

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Peel District School Board (PDSB) has appointed two new senior administrators to help alleviate issues of systemic racism that has plagued the organization in recent years.

Bruce Rodrigues was installed as new PDSB supervisor last month, while Colleen Russell-Rawlins has been named the new interim director of education. She will begin her new role on August 5.

Former Director of Education, Peter Joshua, was removed from the position on June 23, where a statement read, “effective immediately, Director of Education Peter Joshua is no longer with the Peel District School Board. An interim Director of Education will be named by Ministry Supervisor Bruce Rodrigues in the days ahead.”

Mr. Rodrigues made the decision only one day after filling the role as Supervisor to assist and provide action in regard to the numerous claims of anti-Black racism that has swarmed the school board over the past two years.

In her new position, Russell-Rawlins is excited to be a part of the Peel District School Board and has already made plans to implement what she described as “necessary improvements” for the future.

“I am honoured to serve as the Interim Director of the Peel board at this pivotal point in its efforts to achieve racial equity and dismantle anti-Black racism. I look forward to learning from and with the Peel com-

munity in pursuit of these goals and improving all other aspects of education,” she said.

Mrs. Russell-Rawlins is taking over for the temporary interim director of education, Jaspal Gill, who was given the position shortly after Peter Joshua was removed.

For the past 29 years, Russell-Rawlins has worked in a variety of educational roles, including teacher, principal, consultant and superintendent. She will be transferring over from the Toronto District School Board, where she last worked in the role of Associate Director.

In her career at TDSB, Russell-Rawlins has made several accomplishments that better the community of students, staff and parents. She recently oversaw the proposal and development of The Centre of Excellence for Black Student Achievement in the Toronto District School Board, which would be the first in the country. She has also played a pivotal role in establishing TSDB’s Multi-Year Strategic Action Plans to improve education in early literacy, while also putting a focus on professional learning in Equity, Anti-Racism and Anti-Oppression.

“I really look forward to speaking with students, families and staff to learn more about things that are going really well in local communities, and the areas they want to focus on,” she said. “I know that Peel has had many successes and that there are areas that need to be focused on in order to move forward so that all students can experience success.”

Russell-Rawlins has had success in creat-

ing “respectful relationships” with her students, staff and parents by being the Staff Lead for the Parent Involvement Committee and the Black Student Achievement Community Advisory Committee.

“I am new and learning about what the successes have been because we want to ensure we build on the successes. As you know, this year there have been two reports outlining some directions that are important for the Peel community to undertake,” she explained. “I intend to listen deeply to everyone and especially the young people in our school.”

She added, “The future is theirs, and I believe that they’re really smart and bold and their ideas I think really holds tremendous potential for charting the path forward for Peel.”

PDSB Supervisor Bruce Rodrigues stated in a Peel news release his confidence in Mrs. Russell-Rawlins, explaining why she poses as an exceptional educator to fill the role as interim director of education.

“We are confident that Ms. Russell-Rawlins possesses all the necessary attributes to move the Peel board forward,” said Rodrigues. “She brings with her a strong commitment to student learning and success, an exceptional background in addressing issues of anti-Black, African and Caribbean racism, anti-oppression and equity. We are delighted to have her and look forward to working with her.”

Russell-Rawlins is excited to begin her



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NEW DIRECTOR: Colleen Russell-Rawlins has been appointed new interim director of education of PDSB, replacing Peter Joshua.

new position in August, and is most looking forward to meet all the new students.

“I’m always excited to meet new young people,” she said. “Having had a career in education, they’re my motivation, they’re where I get my energy, and I know that there are many committed and dedicated educators and community members in Peel who are excited charting a positive future.”

For more information, please visit peel-schools.org.

Peel Region one of only three municipalities yet to move into Stage 3 of reopening

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

We’ve seen this before, and the shock factor is there again, as Toronto, Peel and Windsor-Essex are once again the last three regions held back from moving ahead with the Ontario government’s planned provincial reopening.

The Ontario government announced last Monday (July 13), that 24 regions would be allowed to enter Stage 3 of the economic reopening, in which they did effective Friday (July 17).

One week later, seven more regions have been given the go ahead to enter Stage 3 as of this Friday (July 24), including Durham, Halton, Hamilton, York, Lambton, Niagara and Haldimand-Northfolk.

This leaves three regions remaining in Stage 2 - Toronto, Peel and Windsor-Essex.

“We’re working with communities across

the province to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and help more businesses safely and responsibly hang up their ‘Open for Business’ sign,” said Premier Doug Ford. “While we want as many people back to work and taking home a paycheck again as possible, it’s important for everyone, no matter what stage your community is in, to remain on guard and keep following the public health advice. By working together, we can keep new case numbers down and ensure all of Ontario can enter Stage 3 when it’s safe to do so.”

The three regions are planned to remain in Stage 2 for at least another week. While frustrating for residents in Toronto, Peel and Windsor-Essex, the Province is calling on people to remain patient as they assess provincial data to determine a safe time to allow those regions into Stage 3.

“Building on the success of the regional

approach in the previous two stages, and based on the positive public health trends we are seeing, we are ready to move more regions across the province into Stage 3,” said Minister of Health, Christine Elliott. “Entering Stage 3 does not mean the fight against COVID-19 is over. We all must remain vigilant and continue following public health advice to ensure the progress we have made so far in stopping the spread will not be undone.”

Stage 3 allows almost all businesses to reopen, along with nearly all public spaces. Public health safety guidelines will remain in place as more areas and businesses begin their reopening process.

The number of people within indoor and outdoor gatherings will be increased to a limit of 50 individuals indoors and 100 outdoors.

A list of places and activities are still being

deemed unsafe to reopen just yet, including amusement and water parks, buffet-style food services, dancing at clubs or bars, overnight camp stays for children, private karaoke rooms, table games at casinos, saunas or steam rooms and any sport where human contact is involved.

“I’m impressed by how seriously business owners are taking the public health advice and how easy they made it for their customers to take precautions,” said Minister of Finance, Rod Phillips. “By providing plenty of space to physically distance, keeping hand sanitizer by the door, and maintaining records for contact tracing, they’re playing a vital role helping fight COVID-19. We’re all doing our part and making it easy for others to do the same.”

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On Tuesday, July 14, at approximately 1:04 a.m., uniformed officers from the Caledon OPP Detachment, arrested an impaired driver in the area of Highway 10 and Valleywood Boulevard in the Town of Caledon.

The officer was on general patrol in the area, when she noticed a vehicle driving well below the posted speed limit and unable to maintain a lane. The officer conducted a traffic stop and upon stopping the vehicle, the officer detected an odour of alcoholic beverage emanating from the driver's breath.

The driver was asked to provide a sample of his breath into an approved roadside screening device, resulting in a "fail" reading. The driver was placed under arrest and transported to the Caledon OPP Detachment, where further breath tests were completed.

As a result, James Richards, 72, of Brampton, stands charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol,
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration over 80 mg,
- Operation while prohibited under the Criminal Code, and
- Drive motor vehicle - not equipped with ignition interlock device

The accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on September 24, 2020.

On Wednesday, July 15, at approximately 11:30 p.m. officers from the Community Response Unit responded to a traffic complaint of a suspected impaired driver in the area of Highway 10 and Escarpment Side Road.

While patrolling the area and looking for the suspect vehicle, the officers were passed by the same vehicle at a high rate of speed.

The officers conducted a traffic stop and the driver was investigated. As a result of police investigation, the driver was placed under arrest for Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and transported to Caledon Detachment for further breath tests to be conducted.

Ashley Rendon, 33, of Orangeville, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol,
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration over 80 mg;
- Having care or control of a motor vehicle with open container of liquor; and
- Possess more than one licence.

The accused was held for a bail hearing and is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on a later date.

Did you flag down OPP on Hwy. 10?
On Thursday July 16, at approximately 11:06 p.m. officers from the Community Response Unit of Caledon OPP were on patrol in the area of Highway 10 and Olde Base Line Road in the Town of Caledon. The officers were flagged down by two motorists, advising that a black sedan was driving erratically in a southbound direction on Highway 10.

The motorists provided a detailed description of the suspect vehicle and left abruptly before providing their own information.

A short time thereafter, the investigating officers located the suspect vehicle just North of King Street. The vehicle was driving well under the posted speed limit and was unable to maintain its' lane. The officers conducted a traffic stop and the driver was investigated.

As a result of a police investigation, the driver was placed under arrest for Impaired Operation of a Motor Vehicle, and transported

to the Caledon OPP Detachment for further breath tests to be conducted.

As a result, Shabnam Alcozay, 35, of Brampton, was arrested and charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol, and
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration over 80 mg.

The accused is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on September 24 to answer to the charges.

Caledon OPP is thankful to the unknown motorists, who brought the information forward to the officers and assisted in taking an impaired driver off of our roads. We would like to ask the drivers to contact Caledon OPP Detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122 to obtain their information.

Caledon man charged with stunt driving
The Orangeville Police Service has charged a 40-year-old Caledon man with Stunt Driving after he was clocked travelling 53 km/h over the posted speed limit on B Line Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday, July 19, 2020 at approximately 2:30 p.m., an Orangeville police officer was on patrol on B Line in the area of Alder Street. A grey Ford F150 was observed travelling at what the officer believed to be a high rate of speed. The officer measured the vehicle's speed at 113km/h in a posted 60km/h zone. The vehicle was stopped by police and the driver was investigated.

As a result of the investigation, the driver was charged with Stunt Driving: Excessive speed by more than 50 km/h over the posted speed limit.

Police seized the vehicle for a 7 day impoundment and the driver received a 7 day

licence suspension.

The driver was issued a summons to appear in court in Orangeville on September 30, 2020 to answer to the allegations.

The Orangeville Police Service continues to be committed to keeping roads safe in the community for other motorists and pedestrians.

High-end vehicles targeted in Caledon
On June 30 officers from the Caledon OPP Detachment responded to a reported theft of a vehicle on McPherson Road in the Town of Caledon.

The complainant advised that a high-end Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) valued at \$160,000 was stolen from the driveway of their residence. The complainant also stated that the vehicle was locked and all key fobs were accounted for.

After reviewing the video footage, officers discovered that two male suspects walked up the complainant's driveway at approximately 2:06 a.m. One of the suspects proceeded to stand near the front door and pull out a long cord-like device out of a backpack, holding it up to the front door.

The second suspect is seen standing beside the driver's side door, holding a device in his hand. After a few seconds, the vehicle unlocks, the second suspect gets in and the vehicle turns on. The second suspect drives away in the vehicle, while the other suspect leaves on foot.

Suspect #1: male, slim build, wearing a surgical mask, hoodie, track pants, backpack worn in the front, gloves, athletic footwear.

Suspect #2: male, medium build, wearing a baseball hat, capri pants, long sleeved jacket, athletic footwear.

The second incident occurred on Saturday, July 18th between 4:16 a.m. - 4:19 a.m. on Henry Wilson Drive in Caledon East. Just like in the previous occurrence, the complainant informed the officers that the vehicle was stolen from their driveway, while it was locked and all key fobs were accounted for.

Video surveillance showed a lone male suspect wearing a hoodie approach the driver side door, deactivate locks and enter the vehicle at approximately 4:16 a.m. The suspect remained in the vehicle for approximately three minutes. At about 4:19 a.m., the vehicle exited the driveway driving towards Old Church Road.

Caledon OPP reminds the residents that technology evolves quickly and techno-thieves are known to utilize the following technology to steal keyless cars:

- Signal relaying - fobs emit a short-range "friendly" radio signal that carries only a few feet. Relay thieves use wireless transmitters held up to the front door or window of a house (or the handbag/pocket of a car owner), to capture the signal from a fob and relay it to a target vehicle;
- Signal jamming - a device used to jam the signal that locks the car. The gadget might be in the pocket of a thief in a parking lot, or near a driveway being targeted. When owners press the lock button on their key fob, the command is prevented from reaching their vehicle and it remains unlocked;
- Key programming - computer hackers have developed devices that plug into the port, boot up a vehicle's software and then program a blank key fob. In keyless cars this can be used to start the engine as well as unlock the doors.

To prevent keyless car theft:

- Make sure your car keys are kept well away from doors and windows;
- Use signal blocking pouch - they can block your car key fob from transmitting its code to the vehicle, as the pouch is lined with layers or metallic material;
- Turn off keyless fob wireless signal at night - refer to your car manual for instructions;
- Use a steering wheel lock or car alarm - this could significantly delay or discourage the thief;
- Consider an audible car alarm - which works by using sensors placed in different points of your vehicle;
- Fit a car tracker - unusual activity is monitored and car can be followed through GPS if stolen, and most importantly,
- Always lock your car, never leave it running and unattended, and remove all valuables from plain view.

(To review video footage of the incident that occurred on June 30th, 2020, please visit [#CaledonOPP](https://twitter.com/OPP_CR)).





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OPPOSITE EFFECT: Downtown business owners say changes to the intersection at King St. S and Queen St. W have had a negative effect on traffic, with cars travelling through the route quicker than ever before.

Changes to turning lanes in Bolton being re-evaluated

Written By MARK PAVILONS

What was intended as a measure to help traffic flow through Bolton's core seems to have had the opposite effect.

A long-time business owner said the re-vamped intersection and turning lanes have led to increased flow and speeds past his business. It makes getting into and out of the parking lot hazardous, and leaves no room for delivery vehicles to stop.

Tony Viola, owner of Allegro, said south-bound drivers are speeding past his establishment and it's very dangerous. Even walking on the sidewalk is now an unpleasant experience.

Viola said he spoke with Bolton councillor Tony Rosa, who stopped and looked at the situation. Rosa, fellow councillors and Caledon Mayor Allan Thompson visited the core to witness the traffic. They have spoken with officials at Peel Region about the lane changes.

Rosa noted they needed to see first-hand the traffic situation. Everyone agreed this current design is not working and they're hopeful "plan B" will be much better. Rosa said the Region is also working with current traffic data, which is not accurate, and much lighter than normal given the COVID-19 pandemic. When traffic gets "back to normal" it

will be much worse through the core.

The first step, Rosa pointed out, was admitting there was a problem. He said Caledon reps will let the experts come up with a new plan. Once the changes are implemented, the situation will be monitored. At this point it's temporary, and once new data and comparisons are done, a decision will be made on the permanent changes.

But Rosa assured Caledon will keep working on it "until we get it right."

The single northbound lane now creates a bottleneck, creating a long line of impatient drivers.

Viola said noise levels have increased substantially and few drivers obey the posted 50 km/h speed limit.

This only adds to the pressures and makes life difficult for business owners trying to make a living. The COVID-19 pandemic devastated the restaurant business and now that Allegro's patio is open, visitors have to contend with increased traffic.

Viola, former chair of the BIA, knows all about traffic issues in the downtown core.

Peel Region also recently installed yellow and black road signs, crimping through traffic at certain spots in the core. It's meant to discourage drivers from using the parking lanes as through lanes.

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Alleged UFO sightings a semi-regular occurrence in local area

Written By MARK PAVILONS

Partially isolated during the pandemic seems like we're all alone. But we're not, according to ongoing UFO reports from residents across the country. Even in Caledon, those lights in the sky do not go unnoticed. According to "latest-ufo-sightings.net," the most recent report came from nearby Aurora. On April 26, 2020 an Aurora resident reported the sighting occurred after 8:45 p.m. and was captured on video and still photos for more than 40 minutes. The witness said he tried to come up with logical explanations such as star, helicopter, plane, planets (Venus was visible that week),

international space station, satellites, etc. But this object remained stationary and was recorded on several devices. When he downloaded the photos to his computer he noticed that the "glowing dot actually consist of a glowing ring around a circular glowing light." The year 2018 marked the 30th anniversary of collecting and analyzing Canadian UFO report data by UfologyResearch. The 2018 Canadian UFO Survey revealed a total of 937 sightings in Canada, the lowest on record since 2004. Quebec led all Canadian provinces with 41 per cent of all Canadian UFO reports, followed by Ontario (24 per cent) and BC (13 per cent). In 2018, roughly five per cent of all UFO

reports were classified as unexplained. The typical UFO sighting lasted approximately 16 minutes in 2018. The study found that about 40 per cent of all UFO sightings were of simple lights in the sky. Witnesses also reported point sources of light, spheres and boomerangs. Many witnesses were pilots, police officers and other individuals with reasonably good observing capabilities and good judgement. Although the largest percentage of reported UFOs is simply lights in the night sky, a small number are objects with definite shapes observed within the witnesses' frame of reference. On March 18, an orange, triangle-shaped object was seen at 10:15 p.m. in Caledon East. The object was reported travelling low

and very fast. On May 20 in Caledon, three orange globes were observed, arranged in a triangular fashion. King Township attracted some attention on June 1, 2018 when a Schomberg resident reported seeing an orange "orb" which rapidly fell from the sky and vanished, at roughly 10:15 p.m. The number of UFO reports per year has varied, although there has been a general trend towards a gradual increase in yearly UFO report numbers over the past 30 years, with spikes in some years such as 1993, 2008 and 2012, when there were almost 2,000 reports in one year. Authors of the report note that a total of 937 UFO reports in one country in a single year "is still quite remarkable."

For this study, the working definition of a UFO is: "an object seen in the sky which its observer cannot identify." Polls have shown that about 10 per cent of the Canadian population believe they have seen UFOs. This means that roughly 3.7 million Canadians have seen UFOs. However, studies have also shown that only about 10 per cent of all witnesses of UFOs report their experiences. The UFO Survey is produced by Ufology Research, based in Manitoba, with the cooperation of investigators and researchers across the country.

Since the annual Canadian UFO Survey was initiated in 1989, 18,038 Canadian UFO reports have been catalogued during the past 28 years. This is much more than the files of the United States Air Force's infamous Project Blue Book, which investigated and recorded 12,618 UFO reports from around the world between 1947 and 1969.

Authors of the report indicate that this data clearly contradicts comments by those who would assert that UFOs are a "passing fad" or that UFO sightings are decreasing in number.

For more, visit <http://survey.canadianuforeport.com/>

Chris Rutowski, blogger and founder, posts regular updates at <https://uforum.blogspot.com/>

Canada's UFOs: The search for the unknown, is a collection organized by Library and Archives Canada. There is a limited database of incidents, which provides access to digitized documents from the government records collection. These documents include reports, sightings and investigations of UFOs across Canada.

For more, visit <https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/eng/discover/unusual/ufo/Pages/default.aspx>



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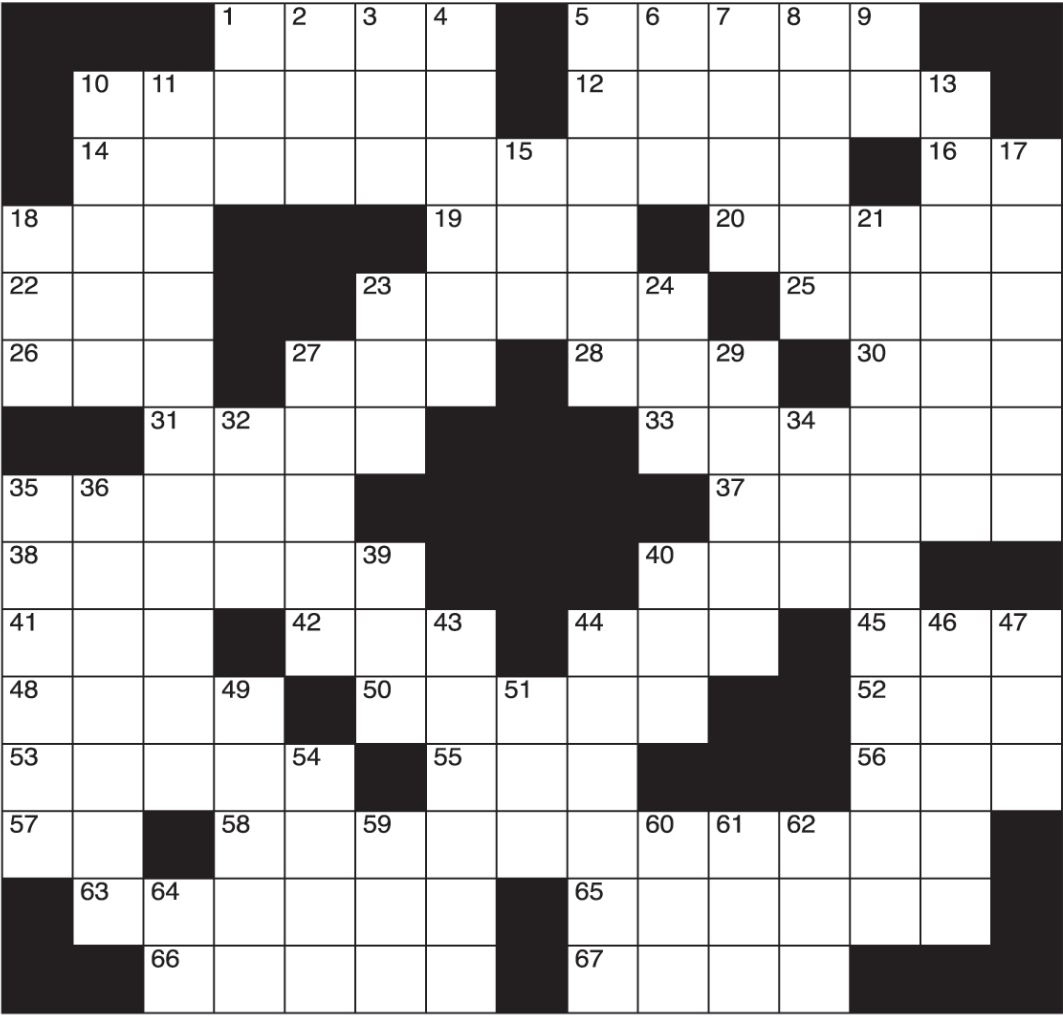
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 - 1. One-time world power
 - 5. Central Florida city
 - 10. Winged nut
 - 12. Elevate spiritually
 - 14. Creative
 - 16. It cools your home
 - 18. Woman (French)
 - 19. "60 Minutes" network
 - 20. Old World lizard
 - 22. Swiss river
 - 23. Ethnic group of Cambodians
 - 25. Abba __, Israeli politician
 - 26. Tire measurement
 - 27. Affirmative
 - 28. Thrust horse
 - 30. One point north of due east
 - 31. A type of "pet"
 - 33. Tech giant
 - 35. European nation
 - 37. Fencing swords
 - 38. Acquired
 - 40. Origin
 - 41. Cashless payment interface (abbr.)
 - 42. Pouch
 - 44. Peter's last name
 - 45. Inclined
 - 48. Palestinian territory __ Strip
 - 50. A type of syrup
 - 52. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
 - 53. Weather
 - Underground activist
 - 55. Run batted in
 - 56. Frozen water
 - 57. Sodium
 - 58. Philly specialty
 - 63. Cuts the wool off
 - 65. Rules
 - 66. Icelandic literary works
 - 67. Tattled

CLUES DOWN

 - 1. "Pulp Fiction" actress Thurman
 - 2. Actors'
 - 3. Conscientious
 - investment approach (abbr.)
 - 4. Ranch (Spanish)
 - 5. Beginning
 - 6. Index
 - 7. Portuguese wine
 - 8. A feudal superior
 - 9. Military brach (abbr.)
 - 10. Lithuanian given name
 - 11. A way to become different
 - 13. Able to be domesticated
 - 15. Defensive nuclear weapon
 - 17. Hosts film festival
 - 18. Shows you how to get there
 - 21. Arranged alphabetically
 - 23. S. Thai isthmus
 - 24. The 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
 - 27. Woods
 - 29. Make yourself attractive
 - 32. Concealed
 - 34. Large primate
 - 35. A favorite saying of a sect or political group
 - 36. Tropical fruits
 - 39. Obstruct
 - 40. Car mechanics group
 - 43. Stroke gently
 - 44. They're in your toolbox
 - 46. Throngs
 - 47. One and only
 - 49. In a way, bent
 - 51. "Downton Abbey" broadcaster
 - 54. Herring-like fish
 - 59. A major division of geological time
 - 60. Vast body of water
 - 61. Cannister
 - 62. Encourage
 - 64. The man

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Masks are now mandatory in public indoor spaces

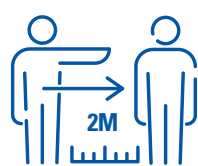


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To learn more about the Town's By-law and for a full list of exceptions, please visit caledon.ca/covid or contact us at 905.584.2272.

Wearing a mask is only one way to keep ourselves and our families safe.
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‘Simplifying’ is now more important than ever

by Mark Pavilons

How many times have we heard the expression “less is more?” How many times have we given it any heed? We’ve had ample opportunity to let this concept sink in over the past few months. Every day that goes by, and every day that COVID-19 remains part of the big picture, we need to pause and reflect. We need to seriously take stock of what’s important in our lives. A new poll by Simplii Financial finds that the majority (81 per cent) of Canadians want to simplify their lives, and many (67 per cent) have already started. For Canadians, the three areas they want to simplify most are their home organization (55 per cent), finances (34 per cent) and their daily schedule (29 per cent). “One of the unexpected impacts of COVID-19 is the opportunity for many to re-evaluate what’s important to them,” said Vineet Malhotra, head, Simplii Financial. “We asked Canadians how their habits have been changing, and we’ve found they’re keen to simplify, with technology playing a key role in accomplishing this.” The key takeaway from the survey, Malhotra says, is that “the effects of the pandemic have created a larger appreciation for what Canadians have, but there’s still a need to simplify, with 76 per cent of Canadians believe simplifying their lives is more important than ever. Our team knows firsthand how simplifying finances can help everyday life feel less complicated.” According to the data, it is clear that Canadians are relying more on technology than ever before (68

per cent) vs only 31 per cent of Canadians who said they were using more technology in 2019. In recent months, they have started using technology for seeing friends/family (47 per cent), shopping (33 per cent) and groceries/cooking/meal prep (27 per cent). With use of technology at an all-time high, 47 per cent say that a household budget is more important now. Canadians are looking to better manage: food takeout/delivery (44 per cent), household technology (34 per cent) and clothing (25 per cent) expenses. The pandemic has given Canadians an appreciation for the things they have (52%), a slower daily pace (34%) and spending time with immediate family (29%). The drawback, verified by the poll, indicates we’re spending their time watching more television/ movies (53%), news (37%), cooking (32%) and decluttering/organizing (32%). I admit that during the past few months, my butt has made quite a dent in our sofa. Being a bit of a TV and movie buff, this has only compounded my “addiction.” My wife recently pointed out that other studies indicate that increased screen time – TV, iPad, iPhone – actually increased belly fat! Just what I needed! I can understand the desire to “declutter” our surroundings. We have a few areas of our home that urgently require our attention. My wife sometimes finds tasks like this daunting – she looks at a pile of boxes and gets overwhelmed. She doesn’t know where to start, so goes somewhere else! I get it, in the early stages of what’s turning out to be a very hot

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Editorial

No baseball in Canada

IT LOOKS AS IF this will be a year in which Major League Baseball will retreat to playing all its games in U.S. cities and without any fans in the stadiums, thanks to the COVID-19 pandemic. Although both the City of Toronto and the Ontario government had tentatively approved the idea of Toronto Blue Jays playing their home games in the Rogers Centre, the federal government concluded that it would be far too risky to have American teams allowed in to Canada when the U.S. border has been closed to all but essential travel until at least August 21. And as if there was any doubt as to the need to extend the border closing, that seemed to vanish Wednesday with disclosure of the fact that for the first time in months there were more than 1,000 deaths in the U.S. from the coronavirus in a single day, with the death toll having reached 145,000 compared with under 9,000 in Canada. And as if to illustrate the seriousness of the situation, for the first time since April, U.S. President Donald Trump addressed the problem on TV and in a shift in rhetoric on facial coverings, encouraged Americans to wear a mask if they cannot maintain social distance from people around them in an effort to curb the spread of the coronavirus. And in his first briefing focused on the coronavirus pandemic in months, Mr. Trump told reporters at the White House “it will probably unfortunately get worse before it gets better. Something I don’t like saying about things, but that’s the way it is.” Just why he chose Tuesday for the brief press conference didn’t become clear, and he read most of the advice from a prepared text, but at least it included a call for everyone to stay six feet from others and to wash hands frequently. Some observers saw the president’s message as mainly a response to recent opinion polls showing him as well below Joe Biden, the presumptive Democratic presidential candidate. As cases rise in states around

the country, including in politically important states such as Florida, Texas and Arizona, the president is seen as having shifted his tone to try to get the number of cases under control. “We’re asking everybody that when you are not able to socially distance, wear a mask, get a mask. Whether you like the mask or not, they have an impact, they’ll have an effect and we need everything we can get,” he said. He added that he was getting used to masks and would wear one himself in groups or when on an elevator. The president also urged young Americans to avoid crowded bars where the virus could spread. Closer to home, there were some worrisome statistics in the wake of the relaxation of rules aimed at reducing the spread of COVID-19, particularly among residents aged 20 to 40. Toronto Mayor John Tory is pushing Ontario Premier Doug Ford to impose more rules on bars and restaurants – such as early closing times and additional occupancy limits – as part of the provincial government’s plans to reopen the economy of Canada’s most populous city. Mayor Tory tweeted Sunday morning that he’d sent a letter to Premier Ford requesting “additional measures” intended to help stem further spread of COVID-19, recommendations that come as Toronto is eyeing entry into the third and final stage of the province’s reopening process. “While many of these measures are already Toronto Public Health guidelines and recommendations, they are not included in the province’s legal regulation,” Tory wrote in the letter, which was dated Saturday. “I believe ensuring these are requirements rather than recommendations will help ensure compliance and ultimately, protect the health of our residents.” It will certainly be interesting to see whether it is mainly the rules for bars and restaurants are as important a cause in fresh outbreaks as social gatherings where one or more persons is an unwitting carrier of COVID-19.

summer, who wants to reorganize the basement, or clean out the jungle-like bedroom closet? Who wants to spend a weekend in the garage where all kinds of nasty awaits? I grew up doing chores and we weren’t given an option. When our parents told us to do something, we did it. Sure, we mumbled under our breaths, but we knew we had to pitch in. Our kids have been given rather long leashes (I wish this was literal, not figurative). I can’t even count the number of times my requests for household chores met with odd, perplexed stares, faces void of comprehension. Either my kids are great actors or they’re simply playing possum. Ok, I know that complaining about a few simple chores is silly given the state of the world today. I often tell my kids to count their blessings and that they should take comfort in the fact we take care of them, and we live in this great country of ours. I’ve stopped giving them the “knee-deep in snow” scenario. I’ve tried some other creative ways to give them some perspective, but they just don’t get the concept of selling coconuts or braiding hair on the street. When they complain about a lack of food, I tell them my mom made

me marmalade sandwiches for my entire Grade 9 year! I hate the stuff. My threats just don’t carry any weight. Maybe my material needs to be updated. Being on keto, my dietary choices are limited, but my wife has been very creative in the kitchen. Luckily, I’ve found several coolers that are carb-free and sugar-free. There is a God! Even though my kids all have part-time times, they still don’t always get some of today’s economic realities. My son’s car was written off recently, after an encounter with a deer. He was quite upset about the deductible, claiming it’s draconian. I agree, but that’s the system. My youngest is enjoying the benefits of her job, but she can be frivolous with her money. She desperately wants to grow up, travel the world and experience life. Who doesn’t? There’s no question many of us have accumulated way too much stuff and surround ourselves with material things. Ok, the age-old necessities of getting plenty of rest, drinking water and getting exercise aren’t enough for today’s millennials. They (we) want more. But at one point we all have to come to the realization that “less is more.”

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A less crowded planet

If you wanted evidence that reasonably competent government – not great, not corruption-free, just not awful – produces good results in the end, here it is.

Back in 1971, when the two countries split apart, Bangladesh had 65 million people and Pakistan had 60 million. By the end of this century, Bangladesh will have around 80 million people – and Pakistan will have 250 million.

Bangladesh is usually seen as a seriously over-populated country, and it still is today: 160 million people. But its birth-rate is dropping so fast that its population will halve by 2100, leaving it with no more people per square kilometre of farmland than the United Kingdom.

It has achieved this mainly by educating its girls and young women and making contraception easily available. That's what's driving the global numbers down, too. The latest population predictions, published last week in the British medical journal The Lancet, forecast a global population in 2100 of only 8.8 billion.

That's just one billion more than now. True, we will reach a peak in about forty years' time of 9.7 billion, but by century's end we will be

sliding down the other side of the population mountain quite fast.

The numbers come from the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation of the University of Washington, and they predict an end-of-century world population that is two billion lower than the UN Population Division's forecast last year of almost 11 billion people. As they say: a billion here, a billion there, and pretty soon you're talking real numbers.

Even better, the assumption is that the global population will continue to go down after that. Give it another century of gentle decline, and we could hope for a global population of four or five billion by 2200, which would make the task of dealing with the long-term impacts of climate change a lot easier. Meanwhile, there are three other big things going on right now.

The first is that more than two dozen countries will lose around half their population by the end of this century, including all the countries of East Asia (China, Korea, Japan and Taiwan) and most of the countries of central, eastern and southern Europe (e.g. Italy, Poland, Spain and Greece). Some will fall even further: Bulgaria from 7 million to 2.6 million, Latvia from 2 million to less than half a

million.

The problem for all of these countries will be a huge overhang of elderly people as the younger population shrinks. The 'population pyramid' will be stood on its point, more or less, with each person in the working population having to support at least one retired person (unless retirement ages are raised radically, as they may well be).

The second group are countries, almost all in Africa or the Middle East, where population growth is still out of control. These are the only regions where some countries will triple their populations (e.g. Israel and Angola), or quadruple them (Afghanistan and Nigeria), or even more (Chad's population will grow eight-fold, Niger's ninefold).

And finally comes the oddest group: the countries where the birth rates are already far below replacement level, but the populations will hold steady or even grow somewhat by the end of the century. They include not only the rich countries of Western Europe, North America and Australasia, but also many of the Latin American republics.

What's their secret? Immigration. They almost all have a well established tradition

of accepting immigrants from other continents and cultures, and they're prosperous enough to be attractive to immigrants.

So Sweden, Norway, France and the United Kingdom will each add a few million people by 2100. Canada, Australia and the USA will each add around ten million (and New Zealand gets a million). The rest will attract at least enough newcomers to plug the holes left by their very low birth rates.

This may seem unfair, but it gets worse. When the researchers factored predicted economic growth into the study, the ten countries with the biggest GDP eighty years from now were, in order: the US, China (whose population will have fallen to 731 million), India, Japan, Germany, France, UK, Australia, Nigeria and Canada.

Six of those ten countries use English as their primary national language. To them that hath shall it be given.

GWYNNE DYER
OUR WORLD TODAY



How many is too many?

Summer is here, the heat is...well...hot and many parts of Ontario are moving on to Stage Three – opening the doors to stores and restaurants and maybe even the odd beach or two. That also means, for some folks, more photo ops. More opportunities to be out and about in our community and farther afield, perhaps taking day trips to new and different locales (since we can't really travel out of province.) While this is great news for many and still scary for some of us, I'm more worried about the "bigger picture" as it were. That is, the fact that my phone is now pretty much at capacity for pictures. What's capacity you might wonder? I'm sure it's different for everyone based on your plan and phone type but it appears for me, capacity is around 7,700 photos and about 200 videos. How many is too many?

At this point you might be justifiably asking yourself "What the heck? How on earth did she amass 7,700 photos on a phone?" On. My. Phone. I'm ashamed. I'm aghast and I am now very, very afraid. Because, if I lose 7,700 photos I will have also lost a significant portion of significant, memorable and enjoyable life events captured over these past few years. Now of course I can anticipate what your immediate response might be. Have I backed these photos up? Sure. Some of them at least, but I can't remember the last time I did and as

a public service announcement, I invite you to ask yourselves when you last backed up your photos? Because here's the thing; I think we are all guilty of amassing a ton of pictures on our handheld devices and unless we are super organized and very efficient, we're also all guilty of forgetting to delete the bad photos and back up the good ones. As for printing pictures, when was the last time you printed a photo, purchased a photo album, inserted said photo into the slot and labelled it "Great Aunt Mary's 80th birthday celebration?"

These are first world problems to be sure. But as I went through the realization process of acknowledging the sheer volume of pictures currently stored on my phone it called into question how many more out there are like me? I recall, many years ago, going to one of those workshops where you "scrapbooked" your photos. With no creative talent whatsoever my page of memories was a hot mess but the woman who ran the class used a phrase that has stuck with me all these years. She asked us all to consider why we were allowing our photos to remain "trapped in technology" rather than printing them, pasting and preserving them? I also recall thinking that while scrapbooking wasn't really for me – printing photos was something I should consider doing more regularly. Have I? Nope. Should I? Probably.

These days, I dream about finding the time to go through the pictures on my phone, deleting the bad shots (of which I am sure there are at least 1,000) and also removing the countless "duplicates," "an extra in case the first one didn't turn out," the "let me just screenshot that proof of payment so I remember it later," and "recipe's that I want to keep" photos which I promptly forget about and which are taking up valuable storage space. What this also suggests, I believe, is how we've become too comfortable with the incredible "convenience" of using our phones in place of a camera. I'm old enough to remember coveting a Kodak "Instamatic" camera and hoping for one for Christmas. The film was easy to load and I think the flash was automatic. Remember Kodak? Remember film? Back then, when you took a picture it was like rolling the dice. Maybe you got a good shot, or maybe everyone's eyes were closed and someone was yawning. You never knew the outcome until you dropped off your film at your local camera store and returned, about 7 days later, to pick it up. Sure you had the odd dud of a photo but more than anything, I think it forced us to really think about the pictures we were taking. Why were we taking a particular photo? To capture a significant life event, chronicle the birthdays and holidays or the special vacation memories? These days, it appears to me that we'll take a photo of just

about anything – mostly so that we can promptly post the pics to social media with a funny or provocative tagline to see how many "hits" and "likes" we'll get from our followers. Who are our "followers?" Maybe it's family and friends who live at great distance and seeing occasional updates is pleasant but mostly, I'd venture to say that mostly, they are people with whom we've had fleeting relationships. They are business colleagues, friends of our friends or, depending on how fast and loose you play with your privacy settings, maybe even complete strangers. The value of pictures it seems has been downgraded from "precious memories" to a not so precious commodity.

It pains me to say I am 100% guilty of buying into the commoditization of the common photograph. I am as prone to posting pics as many of you might be – using social media to celebrate my special memories. Ultimately however, while I'm sharing plenty I'm preserving nothing. Perhaps it's finally time I make the time to sift through my photographs and if they are aren't print worthy – delete them. If they are, it's time to start printing pictures again. I've a few empty albums to fill up! Perhaps you do too?

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Caledon Roots opens new downtown store with business booming

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Area residents now have more of an opportunity to shop for local microgreens after a popular Bolton-based business relocated to the downtown core last week.

Caledon Roots, a local provider for microgreens, has now moved to a new store in Bolton, on Allen Drive.

The local business, which has been in operation since 2016, was developed by owners Sarah Leslie and her sister-in-law Natalie, who were selling their microgreens online and delivering to the residents of Caledon. Their business has now evolved. By opening up a storefront in the community, Caledon Roots can now provide a market for all things microgreens, which are smaller versions of vegetables and greens, that hold a ton of nutrition.

Though many local businesses in the area, have struggled with maintaining work during the COVID-19 pandemic, Caledon Roots has actually benefitted.

“The pandemic has actually allowed our business to thrive,” said Sarah Leslie. “Because we offer free delivery to Bolton and Palgrave, it’s been very convenient for our customers to order online and have their items delivered to their doorstep.”

Now, Caledon Roots has taken the next step, finally opening their doors this past

Friday (July 17), with a small opening event. Alongside their microgreens, the new location now serves Kawartha Dairy ice cream. Sarah and Natalie are encouraging the community to join them for some desert at their small opening.

“We’re very excited to be offering something new and different to our community” said Leslie. “I believe this service is needed as a one-stop shop for people who enjoy consuming local products, instead of having to travel to a variety of different businesses or stores.”

Caledon Roots hopes to evolve their store into an indoor farmers market with their microgreen products, as well as ice cream, local honey, local granola, cheeses, jams and many other products.

The small business is excited to offer a “different kind of service and products” for the community of Caledon, especially with a space that residents can come and shop and learn about Caledon Roots products.

“As silly as this may sound, I’m excited to get back to owning a retail store and offering the community something different and unique. I owned East of Fifty, which closed three years ago, so I have a bit of a passion for sourcing different products for people to enjoy,” explained Leslie. “Our hope is that our customers will discover all of the wonderful items our community and surround-



PHOTO: ALYSSA PARKHILL

NEW LOCATION: Caledon Roots owners Sarah and Natalie Leslie, held their opening on (July 17), of their new store located on Allan Drive.

ing areas have to offer. We have a lot of local producers that quite a few don’t know exist, so when people shop at Caledon Roots they’re not only supporting us but they’re supporting many other local businesses as well.”

Caledon Roots is now located at 15 Allan Drive, Unit 14 in Bolton. For more information, please visit caledonroots.ca or call (905) 857-8686.

Caledon Equestrian School goes forward with fundraising event amid pandemic

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Caledon Equestrian School is moving ahead with hosting its Summer McGregor Meat Fundraiser to help raise money for the local institution.

The event is held one or twice a year to help support the school and animals, as well as programs for those who attend the school. There, local residents can purchase an array of “delicious meats” sourced from Ontario farms.

the past five years. This year we are doing two sales due to business losses because of COVID-19 and popular demand.”

The school has struggled immensely during the pandemic, with financial hardships and emotional separation between the animals and their riders hitting hard.

As the school reopened back in May, Fripp plans on continuing fundraisers and relying on community support.

The Summer McGregor Meat Fundraiser is always highly anticipated for not only the school but for those looking to buy some meat.

“The costs are comparable or a little better than the grocery store, but the quality is fantastic. They offer everything from salmon and shrimp to burgers, hotdogs, roasts, and steaks,” explained Fripp. “This year the funds will be going to operating costs of the school. In the past we bought items like mirrors for the arena or equipment for the school. We don’t have that luxury this year.”

North Country Meat and Seafood have a fundraising program for organizations such as the Caledon Equestrian School to assist



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MEAT FUNDRAISER: Caledon Equestrian School is holding their annual meat fundraiser to help support funds for the animals and the school, in partnership with North Country Meat and Seafood.

in raising funds for youth programs or organizations that involve sport, school and community connections.

The event will run until July 28 and will involve contactless pick-ups.

“We’d love for the community to get involved,” said Fripp. “They can ask us for the order forms and send their payment and order form to us by the end of the month.”

For more information please visit the Caledon Equestrian Facebook page, or call (905) 584-2022.

Our Readers Write

Keep safety in mind

In response to the recent increase in fireworks complaints throughout the Town of Caledon, I would like to ask the community to please keep safety and respect for your neighbour in mind.

I understand that during this lock down, and as restrictions are slowly lifting, residents want to participate in outdoor activities. Kids have been stuck indoors and many isolated from friends and family for about four months. Fireworks can be a way to have fun and pass the time.

However, while we have pulled together as a community and have done an amazing job in keeping each other healthy and safe, the increase in firework complaints are concerning to me.

Fireworks can present a potential for injury and severe burns if not handled properly. People don’t really understand that fireworks explode a far distance away from where they initially were set off, leaving other neighbours vulnerable and having to clean up the fallen debris.

Many complaints have been made for noise annoyances, from pet owners whose animals are frightened from the loud bangs, and children that are troubled with loud noises continuing all night. How can people sleep at night knowing that their house may burn down, or have their sleep interrupted while they must get up for work in the morning? We should not forget that during these difficult times, there is an increase in anxiety in an already-fragile environment.

I am asking residents, please consider your neighbours, your friends, your community before you embark on any other outdoor activity that impacts people’s lives and properties.

As fireworks celebrations are behind us, let’s all continue with the same kindness and consideration we have demonstrated towards each other over these past four months.

Our Fireworks By-law #2016-102 does say that fireworks can only be set off on Victoria Day and Canada Day in any given year. If fireworks complaints are to be made, residents can call the non-emergency OPP number: 1-888-310-1122.

One last note, as we move through summer and the future holidays, let’s get creative in our celebration activities and use other safer and respectful ways to celebrate. Let’s all consider one another and be a caring neighbour.

Fire Chief Darryl Bailey

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Caledon teen charged with stunt driving in Vaughan

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

A Caledon teen has been charged with stunt driving and causing mischief in as incident in Vaughan last week.

On July 12, York Regional Police stopped a Nissan 350z vehicle that was making loud and disturbing noises after midnight during a patrol on Highway 7 and Ansley Road.

The officers made their way over to Windflower Gate after hearing loud noises, which sounded similar to fireworks or gun shots.

A 19-year-old Caledon resident was placed under arrest and charged with mischief, improper muffler, unnecessary noise and for his vehicle having no horn.

Police state that numerous complaints have been called in from members of the community recently due to loud vehicle noises from both cars and motorcycles, whose owners attend nearby parking lots to meet up.

These complaints have led to police issuing a variety of charges to area motorists, included dangerous driving, loud noises at night-time, with modified and improper mufflers making loud sounds that reports say sound like gun shots. A video released by York Regional Police shows the Nissan revving the vehicle, making loud banging noises.

The Caledon resident, who police have not identified, is to appear in court on October 30.

Between July 9 and the morning of July 12, officers laid more than 70 charges during targeted enforcement of modified vehicles in Vaughan.

For more information, please contact York Regional Police Corporate Communications at 1-866-876-5423, ext. 2664.

Impaired driver blows almost four times the legal limit

On Saturday, July 18th, at approximately 10:23 p.m., uniformed officers from the Caledon OPP Detachment responded to a reported traffic complaint of a pickup truck driving erratically and travelling well below the posted speed limit on Highway 10 in the Caledon.

The officers located the suspect vehicle, noting the concerning driving behavior, and conducted a traffic stop on Highway 10 near Highway 410. The driver displayed signs of impairment and was placed under arrest for Operation of a Motor Vehicle while Impaired. The driver was transported to the Caledon OPP Detachment, where breath

samples were obtained resulting in a reading of 310 mg of alcohol in 100 ml of blood.

As a result, a 58-year-old driver from Brampton, stands charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol, and
- Operation while impaired - Blood Alcohol Concentration Exceeding 80 mgs

The driver received a 90-day driver's license suspension and a 7-day vehicle impound.

The accused is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on October 1, 2020 to answer to the charges

Driver flees scene after multiple fail to remain collisions

On Sunday, July 19 at approximately 6:48 p.m. officers from the Dufferin OPP Detachment were dispatched to a reported fail to remain motor vehicle collision on Highway 10 in the area of Hockley Rd.

While making their way to the location, officers were notified that the fail to remain vehicle, a black sedan, had collided with a second motor vehicle in the area Highway 10 and 4th Avenue in Orangeville. Subsequent to that collision the black sedan then left the roadway and came to a stop in the ditch.

Dufferin OPP were assisted by the Caledon OPP and Orangeville Police Service, as well as Orangeville Fire and Dufferin EMS.

There were originally four occupants observed exiting the vehicle and one of those occupants subsequently fled the scene. As a result, OPP Canine and ERT were dispatched to conduct a search. Highway 10 between 4th Avenue and Buena Vista w! as closed as the officers conducted their investigation.

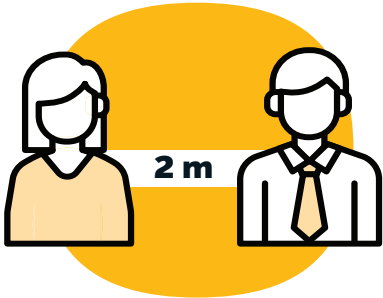
There were no reported injuries to any persons involved in these collisions.

The investigation into the collision is ongoing.

If you were a witness to these collisions or have information to provide investigators, please contact Dufferin OPP at 519 925 3838. Those wishing to remain anonymous may contact Crime Stoppers at <https://www.crimestoppersdm.com/>.

Dufferin OPP are aware of multiple social media posts made at the time of this incident purporting that there had been a shooting. At this time there is no information to suggest there was a shooting. There are no concerns for the safety of the public in relation to this investigation.

As more businesses and services reopen,
and with social gatherings increased to 10 people, we all must continue our efforts to protect each other.



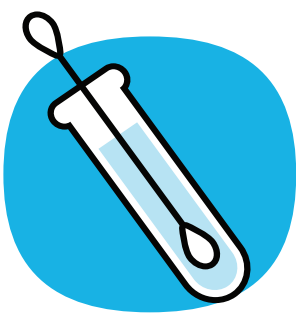
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New Caledon Golden Hawks coach looking to an make impact

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

Brett McCully is not only a family man. The father of three children, is also a community man. He respects where he lives and dons the colours of his town.

The Mississauga native is now a Caledon-proud resident. His wife’s family is from here and McCully has fully embraced the township with open arms.

Since taking on the new head coaching position with the Caledon Golden Hawks, he is determined to deliver this team the same experience he had as a young player. He has had this mindset since his coaching days at Humber College with the hockey and rugby team at the school.

“When I was done, it’s my turn to give back to the young kids and give them the opportunity that I had. That’s also why I want to be a part of the Golden Hawks. I want to give back to the community,” McCully expressed.

“I want to build hockey players like the people in Mississauga built me.”

He’s loved the sport since a young age thanks to his father.

He began on skates at the age of three. He loves watching the Toronto Maple Leafs and idolized the 6’6 Philadelphia Flyers forward Eric Lindros.

He played hockey in the GTHL until the age of 16. At Loyola Catholic Secondary School, McCully and Brampton Admirals Jr. A head coach Justin Teakle were on the same team, in one of the most feared hockey teams in the Peel Region.

Sooner or later, McCully was bound for

the OPJHL (now OJHL for Jr. A) and went to join the Brampton Capitals.

Following a two-year tenure with the club, McCully joined the Guelph Dominators and the Orangeville Thunder in the Jr. B league. There, he was chosen for the all-star game.

He moved on to the Milton IceHawks and then the Mississauga Chargers to cap off his junior career. He went on to play senior hockey with the Shelbourne Muskies and three years with Humber College to boot.

That was when, he finally hung up the skates and slipped on some Steve Madden dress shoes.

McCully, won three gold medals, one silver and league titles with Humber College. He also won West Division Coach of the Year and OCAA Coach of the Year to add to his cabinet of success.

He has spent the last three seasons in Junior A hockey with the Mississauga Chargers as Assistant Coach with the club and appearing as a coach in the 2019 All-Star game.

McCully says coaching rugby and hockey defined his style. He researched how legendary head coaches from the NHL such as Pat Burns choreographed his players on the ice and he came up with a simple notion of his own from there.

“Our team is us. It’s not my team, it’s not the coaching staff’s team. It’s us and players and coaches we’re one. That’s probably the biggest message I want to relay to our players. It’s not my team or your team. With how the season ended last year that’s what I can really say.”

The Caledon Golden Hawks fell to the

Penetang Kings four-straight in the first round. This year, McCully wants to not only develop players for the B and the A team, but also, bring a championship into Caledon and the first for the Golden Hawks franchise.

“They’re really excited to see what I have to bring forward. Obviously, we can’t see that until we hit the ice and be able to talk about our strategies and be able to go forward as a team. It seems like they are all really gung-ho and excited. A little unsure obviously, because on a hockey level we don’t know each other yet. I’ve been watching game film since I’ve been hired trying to get the feel of the current players because I want to know my team.”

He’s received positive energy and insight from players he has spoken to. The core group of boys from last season will be returning this year, and McCully is very excited to begin working as a general manager and head coach for the first time.

Coming over to the Golden Hawks along with McCully is former assistant general manager with the Mississauga Chargers Jacques Brideau as assistant general manager and assistant coach.

“His way of thinking off-ice and dealing with players and parents about improving is second to none. He’s really good at communicating and really good talking to players. He’s also a scout for the QMHL for the last three seasons now.”

McCully, has also brought with him his former captain with Humber and now assistant coach Bill Lochhead.

“He knows my system inside and out. My game plans. The way I think. Hockey-wise,



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A PROUD RESIDENT: Caledon resident Brett McCully takes part in coaching the AP game at the 2019 OJHL All-Star weekend last year.

we’re on the same page. It was a perfect fit for a former leader on a team that I coached to be able to bring him in.”

As of now, conversations will be held with current players, past players and potential future players. McCully hopes to preach his words within the community. There’s always a hidden gem waiting to be noticed and waiting for the opportunity. Wherever they are in Caledon, there just might be an opportunity for them.

York9 FC hires Sam Gregory as team’s new director of on-field analytics

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

York9 FC bolsters their office staff, hiring 27-year-old Kingston native Sam Gregory as the new Director of On-Field Analytics with the club.

Gregory, will be reporting to Angus McNab directly as well as the coaching staff.

“Sam is a great addition to the team. This will be the third time I’ve worked with him, having worked with him very briefly at Opta and much more extensively during my time at Sport Logiq. His primary remit will be to support me and supply opposition analysis and

then turn his attention to recruitment later in the year,” McNab said, in the club’s press release on July 13.

In an area that seemingly has a lot of work to be done, Gregory is most excited to be a part of the groundwork of data analysts within the club and with the Canadian Premier League.

“To be at a club in this league and set the groundwork for how the analytics department should look like or how analytics should affect on-field performance is really exciting to me. We’re at such a ground stage at York9 and around the league in general. I’m really excited to build things and take analytics within York9 and within the Canadian Premier League overall.”

Gregory, took to Twitter to announce his arrival with the Nine Stripes. He tweeted, he was most thrilled to join one of the most forward-thinking clubs in the league.

Gregory praised, York9 FC’s personable approach, commending the club for changing home matches to Friday nights avoiding Toronto FC and York9 FC’s effective use of social media, connecting with patrons and fans.

A life-time football fan, Gregory has avidly loved the sport since a young age. He has played the sport, coached and refereed, all while closely following Canadian soccer and his boyhood club, Manchester United.

With a Masters in Economics from the London School of Economics, Gregory first began an analytics role with Sportsnet while in school, as a consultant, blogger and co-host on the Analytics FC Podcast.

Further stapling his profound interest, Gregory ventured out to London to join Opta once he finished school, working with McNab for the first time and earning most of his experience with youth clubs and coaches.

In 2018, Gregory returned to Canada to work with Sportlogiq based out of Montreal.

Having recently left Sportlogiq, Gregory is currently enrolled at Victoria University, pursuing his Masters in Sports Science while also now, working with York9 FC.

What might come as a surprise to many, Gregory says data is fairly new in soccer. It will require a learning curve on both ends.

“As a data analyst, my job is to learn as much about the sport as possible and take what coaches say and transfer that into a data problem. Talking to a coach and talking to a video analyst, how can I use data to better answer those questions? There’s a lot of learning I think on both sides,” Gregory explained.

Coaches with tactical enquires might have an answer using data. For instance, Gregory explains one of the most prominent findings in his data analysis is looking at shot locations.

“In the past few years there’s been a lot of data on where teams shoot from and where teams score from. And this data has been reflected in a drastic change on how team’s play,” Gregory explained.

“If you look at where teams are shooting



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NEW HIRE: 27-year-old Kingston native Sam Gregory will be bringing his mathematical expertise to the table for the Nine

from, they shoot from much higher percentage positions now than they did three or four years ago.”

In developing a working relationship with the front office and the coaching staff, Gregory will also be studying York9 FC’s players and others in the league.

He says, in some cases, numbers can be misleading, depending on the player’s role within a match and what the coach requested.

Further examining those numbers with the coach’s requests, would clarify if the player has completed his task.

Gregory is excited to join York9 FC and the Canadian Premier League.

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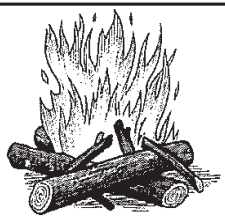
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Gilda Sperduti

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