

Editorial ? Bypass will be great

There is still a week and a bit to go before it opens, but all indications point to the fact the new Bolton Arterial Road (BAR) is going to be a thing of beauty.

And we can hear people muttering ?About time too.?

This bypass has been talked about and debated for years. We have it on good authority that officials in the Albion and Bolton areas had the idea they would be able to make real progress on the bypass once the Second World War was won.

Well, it took a while longer than those people 70 years ago had anticipated, but it's finally here.

The road will help get traffic, especially heavy trucks, out of the village core, and considering some of the near disasters that have taken place over the last little while, such provisions are very badly needed.

True, there are still a couple of complications. The northwestern portion of BAR, which will be the last part to open, is going to involve two roundabouts, and people not used to driving through such installations might have a little trouble getting the hang of them. Peel Region has some helpful tips to get people through them.

It's also gratifying to see that Regional councillors last year had the wisdom to name this final portion Emil Kolb Parkway, in honour of the Region's long-time Chair and Caledon's former Mayor.

Since Kolb is a politician, it's not too difficult to find people who disagreed with him. But we would argue it would be even harder to find anyone who has had a better grasp on the issues affected both Caledon and Peel over more than 40 years.

We can't think of a better name for this stretch of road.