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Caledon Fire's Mini Combat Station was one of the many Caledon Day attractions.

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Caledon Day lights up the community with fun for the whole family

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

If you heard the music, smelled the food, or saw the fireworks light up the sky, chances are, you were at Caledon Day 2025. Festivities kicked off on June 14, welcoming residents with floods of food and beverage trucks and endless activities. Walking around, you could grab a brew in the 19+ section from local businesses such as Goodlot Farmstead Brewing Co., Caledon

Hills Brewing Co., or Sonnen Hill Brewing. You could also drop your food and drink off with EcoCaledon at the various Eco Stations when you finished your food and drink. Carolyn Vallejo with Eco Caledon shared their goal through the stations is to divert as much waste away from landfills as possible. "Instead of just throwing everything in the trash can, they have the opportunity to give their waste to us, let us do the thinking for them," said Vallejo. The Touch a Truck Zone was in the food

and drink section, complete with Caledon Fire, Dunk Disposal, and more. Once you'd gone through the food and drink, visitors could check out the more than 100 vendors and their booths. Many of the vendors were there to share their message with Caledon. Plant-Based Treaty was there following their meeting with the Town Council this past February.

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Vélocity Ride: Meet the inspirational teams members behind this year's event

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Vélocity 2025 Ride for Seniors, run by Caledon Community Services (CCS), set out into the community on Saturday. More than 176 riders, 56 volunteers, and numerous supporters celebrated the occasion this weekend. After riders took off for their routes from 8 to 10:30 a.m., they all met back at Caledon East Park to celebrate their rides and the milestones they had achieved. At the time of this article, Vélocity raised almost \$53,000 of its \$70,000 fundraising goal.

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Elizabeth, Gordon, and David Morton took part in this year's event.

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A vintage tractor is seen at the pull.

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Caledon Fair 2025 was quite a ride with From Seed to Table theme

BY RILEY MURPHY
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Caledon Fair: From Seed to Table, run by the Caledon Agricultural Society, went off without a hitch this past weekend. Festivities kicked off with the Good

Times Truck Pullers Truck and Tractor Pull Friday night. Caledon residents gathered around on bleachers with an array of fan-favourite foods and watched as various tractors competed in front of them. Onlookers could see 8,000 lb Pro Farm tractors, 10,500 lb Pro Farm tractors and

12,000 lb Super Sport tractors featured at the event. It wasn't just the heavy-duty or the new; participating were vintage tractors as well dating to before 1960. If you weren't caught up in the parade of trucks and tractors, those attending could be found milling about the various food and drink stops, or vendors. At the back of the fairgrounds was a nearly endless row of inflatables in the Inflatable Kids Park. Even President Ed Taccone of the Caledon Agricultural Society couldn't resist the massive inflatable slide and had to have a go himself.

He earned himself a bit of a grass burn, but left with a story to tell. The Caledon Agricultural Society Heritage Hall featured past and present award-winning jellies, local artwork, knits, and more. Throughout the rest of the weekend, attendees enjoyed the Classic Car Show, Pony Rides and petting zoos, the demolition derby, the horse show, and more. There was truly something for everyone at this year's Caledon Fair. Join the Caledon Agricultural Society for their 36th Caledon Canada Day Strawberry Festival on July 1st, 2025.

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Deputy Premier Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon, and Members of Council present the Senior of the Year award to 2025 recipient, Ed Taccone. PHOTO COURTESY OF THE TOWN OF CALEDON

Ed Taccone named Caledon’s 2025 Senior of the Year

BY BROCK WEIR

Long-time volunteer Ed Taccone has been recognized by Council as Caledon’s 2025 Senior of the Year.

The presentation of the award, which is bestowed by the Town in partnership with the Government of Ontario, took place at Town Hall on Tuesday night.

The honour is presented each year to a local senior aged 65+ who “continues to enrich the social, cultural, or civic fabric of their community” – and Taccone, who was hailed as a community-builder, certainly fits the bill.

“Congratulations to Mr. Taccone on this well-deserved recognition,” said Mayor Annette Groves in a statement. “Ed’s commitment to community-building is unmatched, and Caledon is stronger because of his leadership and dedication.”

Added Judith D’Souza Soares, Commissioner of Community Services: “Mr. Taccone exemplifies the passion, energy

and generosity that our seniors bring to Caledon. His contributions remind us of the vital role older adults play in building connection, belonging and vibrancy across our Town.”

In his citation, Taccone was recognized as “the driving force behind some of Caledon’s most cherished events and traditions.”

“As President of the Caledon Fair Board for 11 years, Ed provides steadfast leadership and is involved in every aspect of the fair – from maintaining the grounds to securing local business partnerships,” said the Town. “His volunteerism extends far beyond the fair: Ed plays a key role in organizing the annual Strawberry Festival and Caledon’s Canada Day celebrations, ensuring residents of all ages can come together in celebration and community spirit.

“Ed’s tireless contributions reflect the powerful role seniors play in shaping Caledon’s vibrant and inclusive community.”



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FATAL COLLISION INVESTIGATION

Officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating fatal collision on Highway 9.

“On June 12, 2025, shortly before 5:00 p.m., Caledon OPP and emergency crews responded to a two-vehicle collision on Highway 9, at Mount Pleasant Road, in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “One driver, a 34-year-old of Richmond Hill, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The other driver was transported to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.”

Highway 9 between Mount Pleasant Road and Highway 50 was closed for several hours while the OPP Technical Collision Investigators and Reconstructionists assisted with the investigation.

Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has dashcam footage is asked to contact Caledon OPP at 1-888-310-1122. You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at <https://peel-crimestoppers.ca>.

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If you are affected by this incident or witnessed the collision and wish to speak to victim services, Caledon/Dufferin Victim Services can be reached at 905-951-3838.

ARREST FOLLOWING BREAK AND ENTER

Members of the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) arrested and charged an individual following a residential break and enter.

“On June 1, 2025, at approximately 7:00 p.m., officers responded to a report of a break and enter in progress on Escarpment Side Road, in the Town of Caledon,” say Police. “The suspect fled the scene prior to police arrival. Thanks to the swift actions of local residents who shared images of the suspect on a community Facebook group and encouraged neighbours to remain vigilant, the accused was quickly identified and located.”

As a result of this collaborative effort, James Fobert, 43, of Mississauga, was arrested and charged in connection with this incident, as well as other related occurrences in

the area on this same day:

- Break, enter dwelling house - commit indictable offence;
- Trespassing at night;
- Uttering threats - cause death or bodily harm;
- Theft under \$5,000;
- Possession property obtained by crime over \$5,000;
- Possession property obtained by crime under \$5,000;
- Possession break-in instruments;
- Failure to comply with release order - two counts;
- Fail to comply with probation order - three counts

The charges have not been proven.

“The OPP would like to commend the residents of Escarpment Side Road and surrounding areas for their proactive engagement and support. This incident highlights the power of community-police partnerships in enhancing public safety.”

Anyone with further information regarding this investigation is asked to contact the Caledon OPP at 1-888-310-1122. Should you wish to remain anonymous, you may call Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or online at <https://peelcrimestoppers.ca/>.

ALLEGED BUTTER THIEF NABBED

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) have charged a Brampton resident with theft-related offences following an investigation.

“On June 5, 2025, shortly after 11:00 p.m., officers from the Dufferin OPP were dispatched to a reported theft at a retail store located at 95 First Street in the Town of Orangeville,” say Police. “Upon arrival, officers were advised that a male suspect had entered the store on May 28, 2025, and stolen approximately \$600 worth of butter before fleeing through a fire exit.

“The same individual returned to the store on June 5, where he was recognized and apprehended by loss prevention officers. Duf-

ferin OPP officers attended the scene and took over the investigation.”

Amandeep-Singh Padda, a 31-year-old male, from Brampton has been charged with:

- Theft Under \$5000 – Shoplifting

The accused individual is scheduled to appear before the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville.

The charge has not been proven.

“Members of the Dufferin OPP are committed to public safety, delivering proactive and innovative policing in partnership with our communities. Officers value your contribution to building safe communities.”

If you suspect someone is driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol call 9-1-1. If you have information about suspected unlawful activity, please contact the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers to remain anonymous at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or www.crimestopperssdm.com.

FATAL COLLISION IN NEW TEC

Officers from the Nottawasaga Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) are investigating fatal collision on Highway 89.

“On June 16, 2025, shortly before 2:30 p.m., Nottawasaga OPP and emergency crews responded to a two-vehicle collision involving a tractor trailer and passenger vehicle on Highway 89, at County Road 56, in the Town of New Tecumseth,” say Police.

“The driver of the passenger vehicle, a 51-year-old of Alliston, was pronounced deceased at the scene. No other injuries were reported. Highway 89 between 6th Line and County Road 56 was closed for several hours while the OPP Technical Collision Investigators and Reconstructionist assisted with the investigation.”

Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or has dashcam footage is asked to contact Nottawasaga OPP at 705 434-1939 or 1-888-310-1122. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or submit your information online at www.crimestopperssdm.com.



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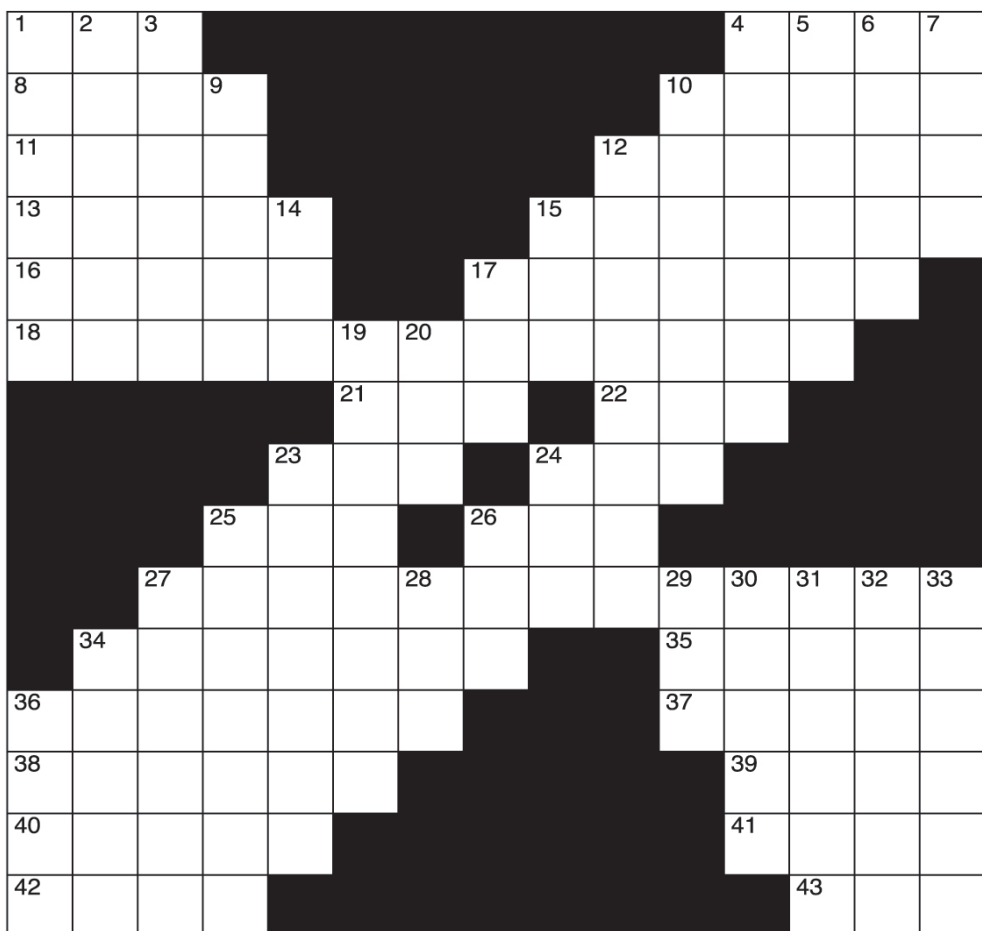
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Pictured here are Franca Pisani and Amanda Corbett from the Caledon Community Road Safety Association.
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CCRSA calls for faster action on improving safety on Highway 50 with petition

BY RILEY MURPHY
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Highway 50 was recently ranked seventh on CAA’s list of the worst roads in the Province and Caledon Community Road Safety Association (CCRSA) has come out with a petition to go to Peel Region asking them to accelerate improvements to Highway 50 and Coleraine Drive.

“We understand that’s going to be a challenge because there’s a lot involved with road widening and doing those improvements. But even if they can’t accelerate it greatly, if they can make some changes, temporary changes to the road that help improve safety, that will help,” shared Amanda Corbett from CCRSA.

Corbett said some of the most significant issues they’ve seen have been road congestion, the vast amounts of trucks on the road, and illegal yards.

She spoke from personal experience what she has seen driving on these roads.

“They’re driving like crazy, pulling U-turns, driving into oncoming traffic, driving in the wrong direction on the shoulder. You have to have your head on a swivel,” said Corbett.

The petition is currently sitting with over 100 signatures, and they’re hoping to collect many more before sending it off to the Region.

“It’s a chance to get your voice heard. You can send emails, you can send letters, and that’s great too, but a lot of people don’t have time to sit down and write an email. This is a really quick and easy way for you to get your voice on the list and say, okay, we need something to be done,” said Corbett.

The petition is collecting signatures at Coffee Time in Bolton, who said in a social media post, “Let’s not shrug this off. Stop by to sign the petition and show your support for safer roads. Every signature helps make our voices louder.”

Councillor Mario Russo, who is involved with the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee, said he feels this issue should have been approved years ago, particularly before the extension to Major Mackenzie Drive.

When Councillor Russo initially tabled a motion at the Region of Peel to expedite improvements, it was passed unanimously.

However, shortly after that, the Province put forward Bill 112, which called for the dissolution of the Regional Municipality of Peel.

Councillor Russo shared that this stalled change dramatically.

“We welcome CCRSA and any and all resident or business associations that help us bring awareness and urgency to the issue,” shared Councillor Russo.

“The Region still has these improvements as priorities with construction slated for 2027-28, and with expropriations and service relocations happening as we speak,” said Councillor Russo. “But anything that will continue to stress the urgency of these road improvements and the buy in from our neighbours in York Region and possible intervention or investment from the Province is something we’ll continue to pursue, a united voice on this matter is imperative, improvements should have occurred a decade ago and we’ll do our very best this gets done as soon as possible.”

Councillor Doug Maskell, who also sits on the Traffic Safety Advisory Committee, said what is occurring on Highway 50 south of Mayfield Road is what he would call a “foreseeable disaster.”

He said during the four-year construction period on 427, there needed to be simultaneous road improvements on Rutherford Road, Major Mackenzie Drive, Coleraine Drive and Highway 50 to deal with the volume of truck traffic on those roads.

“Unfortunately, none of this was done and chaos has ensued,” said Councillor Maskell.

He shared that although he feels Highway 50 warrants its designation in CAA’s ranking, he was disappointed it was labelled as “Caledon” because it lies within the borders of Brampton. It is under the joint jurisdiction of Peel Region and York Region.

Regarding the petition, he stated that the CCRSA has done an exemplary job highlighting road safety issues in Caledon, Peel and York Regions.

“Their petition is a powerful reminder of the increasing frustrations of residents who are demanding that Peel Region, York Region and the Province accelerate a solution to the unacceptable situation on Highway 50,” said Councillor Maskell.

PUBLIC NOTICE

INFORMATION SESSION

Building By-law Update

We are hosting a public session to discuss the proposed update to the Building By-law. Under the Ontario Building Code Act, municipalities are authorized to pass a by-law to regulate construction related matters within their community, including the classes of permits, requirements for plans, specifications and documents, required inspections, fees and other provisions.

The current Building By-law was enacted in 2011 and since then regulatory and procedural changes have taken place that require a modernization of the by-law.

The project team is hosting a drop-in information session to share details about the by-law and answer questions.

For more information, contact Cindy Hammond, Director of Building Services and Chief Building Official, Town of Caledon, at cindy.hammond@caledon.ca.

EVENT DETAILS

Date: July 8, 2025

Time: 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Location: Town Hall Atrium,
6311 Old Church Road, Caledon

Format: Drop-in session

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Founders find support and community in early days of Caledon and DMZ’s Incubator Program

BY RILEY MURPHY
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In March, the Town of Caledon announced its partnership with Toronto Metropolitan University’s (TMU) DMZ to launch the Humber River Centre Business Incubator powered by DMZ, and now it’s swinging into action.

This initiative was announced to be multi-year and will enhance innovation, foster entrepreneurship, and support local economic vitality through targeted programming, mentorship, and resource development.

It provides those with access to incubator programming, training and evaluation, networking and events, and digital services and marketing support.

On June 11, Peer-to-Peer Roundtables began as part of the initiative.

DMZ’s Darren Shivraj said the event brings entrepreneurs in Caledon from different backgrounds and stages of their journey together and has them meet with experts and residents from the DMZ who are domain experts in various spaces.

Shivraj said at the last roundtable, many of the entrepreneurs stayed to chat with one another and stay connected after the event.

“A lot of the times when you’re building, you’re building independently and you don’t really have that community to bounce ideas off of and to support each other,” shared Shivraj.

One testimonial from the event came from a mother-daughter team here in Caledon.

“We would express much excitement in terms of us stumbling on this period of payroll table lunch, which exposed valuable, insightful information on plans for Caledon business growth. Being in this informative, interactive session led us to feel motivated, inspired, believing there’s an opportunity to have the privilege to be mentored by well-seasoned professionals. We would fur-

ther express that regardless of whether or not one is selected for the program, really knowing the fact that Caledon has invested in this type of business support program is incredibly exciting and hopeful for us as founders.”

Shivraj shared that he likes to say the H in Humber River Centre stands for “home.”

“To give people that space that they can come in and be vulnerable and ideate together because a lot of the times when you run your own business, it feels like you’re always an employee working in the business. We help to act as an extension of their team and allow them that opportunity to look at a high level and work on their business. Then we connect them with all of the resources in the form of DMZ experts, as well as partners we have to be able to help them overcome whatever challenges that they’re facing,” said Shivraj.

Amanda St. John, Manager of Business Attraction and Investment at the Town of Caledon, said more than a dozen local businesses have engaged with the incubator through coaching or consultation.

“The feedback highlights how the program provides not only practical support such as marketing strategy, funding readiness, and business model refinement but also instills a sense of community and momentum for Caledon-based founders,” said St. John.

From the peer-to-peer roundtable, she shared that there was overwhelmingly positive feedback that highlighted the strong demand for business support in Caledon.

The program launched its incubator intake forms last week for the program starting in September.

The 12-week program has the goal of helping entrepreneurs identify what’s going well for them, identify the challenges, and then build on that to ensure that they can use DMZ resources to help them grow and scale.

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Caledon Day renews ties while celebrating community

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Council voted to endorse the Plant Based Treaty initiative to improve the health of residents and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Yarim Hinojosa, a campaigner for the Plant Based Treaty, said they were invited to share their message about the benefits of plants on health and the environment.

Taking a walk through the vendors, residents could also learn more about Caledon’s history and heritage through groups such as Heritage Caledon and the Albion Bolton Historical Society.

Heritage Caledon shared information on designated heritage properties and ghost hamlets in the surrounding area.

Before making your way to the community stage, residents were encouraged to provide feedback with the Caledon East Revitalization Task Force regarding a recently acquired piece of land on Emma and Airport Road.

Community members could provide input on what they would like to see come into the space, whether a public square, public art, seating, or a gazebo.

From 2:30 to 6, the Tim Hortons Community Stage was alive with activity and performanc-



MP Ruby Sahota, MPP Sylvia Jones, Mayor Annette Groves, members of Council, and Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Claire Sault attended Caledon Day festivi-
PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

es from artists such as Five Points Road, the Cedar Drummers, and Tom Lines.

While enjoying the various musical styles and dances, onlookers could take part in the different activities in the Tim Hortons Community Zone,

complete with a climbing wall, inflatables, garden games, and more.

One of these activities was Cow Cuddling with Gir Farms.

Monisha Salwan shared that Gir Farms is a cow sanctuary, and said they decided to bring their animals there to teach people about the benefits of cow cuddling.

“It’s scientifically proven to be very therapeutic and calming,” said Salwan. “This is a little trial so people can come and see how they are and interact with these animals, because we feel as though they’re really misunderstood. They can be super sweet, social, friendly when they’re raised in that environment.”

Moving on from Cow Cuddling, only a short distance away, was a community mural project with Mel Coleman.

Participants were encouraged to follow the accessible paint-by-number style of the painting to create the mural.

Coleman said the style of the mural is based on local ecology.

The mural featured milkweed, black-eyed Susans, daisies, bumblebees, and wheat.

Michelle, a Caledon resident whose child participated in the mural activity, said she decided to bring her family to Caledon Day because “it’s a fun event for the whole family, and the kids always have so much fun coming out every year.”

“It’s great to see all the community members coming out and supporting all the different vendors and local events going on,” said Michelle.

Once done at the mural, kids of all ages could participate in the multiple activities presented by Caledon Fire.

They hosted a public education booth, their Home Safe Home program encouraging people to check their smoke and CO2 alarms, and a bouncy house to teach kids about fire escape plans.

Last but not least, was a mini combat station to celebrate Caledon Fire’s 100th anniversary.

The challenge put firefighters from 1925 against firefighters from 2025.

One group of kids would have long black trench coats and buckets to defend against the “fires,” while the other group had up-to-date hose lines and equipment.

“It’s showing the advancements that we’ve

undergone in the last 100 years of being a service here, which is pretty cool. The kids get a little wet, but they have a lot of fun doing it,” said Leah Carrier from Caledon Fire.

As shows at the Tim Hortons Community Stage wrapped up, Mayor Annette Groves and Council members kicked off the Main Stage with greetings and the renewal of the Wampum Belt with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

“Last year marked the 50th anniversary of the Town of Caledon, but before there was a Caledon or Ontario or Canada, this was home to many First Nations people who lived on and cared for the land, water, plants and animals,” said Mayor Groves during the renewal. “Caledon has an important role to play in honoring, sharing and celebrating Indigenous histories, traditions and cultures. June is National Indigenous Heritage Month, and here in Caledon, I’m proud to say that we are committed to this work every day and every month.”

Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Claire Sault joined Council on stage for the renewal of the Wampum Belt and shared some history to allow attendees to understand the symbolism of the commitment.

“The two figures woven into the belt represent the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation, the darker figure on the left, and the settler folks’ figure on the right. The horizontal line that you see being held by both figures signifies a path of peace and friendship and equal commitment we are making with each other. The white on the Wampum belt indicates the preponderance or equally agreed-upon goodwill between the Mississaugas and the Town of Caledon.”

Following the renewal was the Civic Awards Ceremony, held for the first time on the main stage.

The Civic Awards program honours residents who have significantly impacted the development and advancement of recreational sports, arts, culture, environmental leadership, and community and social services.

The night ended with a bang, a firework show, and a performance from headliner The Strumbellas, where residents could sing and dance at the end of Caledon Day away.

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COMMUNITY events

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Caledon Community Services' 2024/2025 Annual General Meeting
Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at 7:00 pm
Humber River Centre, 28 Ann St. Bolton, ON L7E 1B9
Come and hear **Captain (Ret'd) Kevin Junor**, a 2025 King Charles III Coronation Medal Honouree, speak about community from his lens as a trailblazing leader with almost 40 years of service in the Canadian Armed Forces Reserves. Capt Junor was a Regimental Sergeant Major of the Toronto Scottish Regiment, her later became a commissioned officer in the Queen's Own Rifles. Kevin is an Order of Ontario recipient with demonstrated commitment to community wellbeing, diversity, inclusion, and preserving military history. Light refreshments will be served.

Your Health is Your Wealth,
Evangelistic Series, sponsored by the Bolton Seventh-day Adventist Church
Place: 8 Nancy Street, Bolton
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Sat: 10 am and 5:30 pm
Zoom: ID 455 878 9150 PW: 366801
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Fit For Life Wellness Expo – Friday, June 20, 2025
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and lifestyle solutions tailored for today's mature adults at Caledon Seniors Centre at Rotary Place in Bolton on Friday June 20 from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm. Enjoy a FREE lunch, check out a variety of local exhibitors, guest speakers, program demonstrations, prizes and much more! Call the Caledon Seniors Centre at 905-951-6114 to register.

Fit Mind Activities – Monday, June 23, 2025
Join us at the Caledon Seniors Centre at Rotary Place in Bolton for some engaging, brain stimulating activities designed to promote cognitive health and mental well-being on Monday, June 23 at 11 am. This is a free activity that is hosted by Chartwell-Montgomery Village. Registration is required. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 to register by June 17.

Strawberry Social - Thursday, June 26, 2025
The Caledon Seniors Centre at Rotary Place in Bolton is having an Afternoon Strawberry Social from 2 to 4 pm. Enjoy homemade cake with fresh strawberries and cream, tea, coffee and entertainment. This is a free event sponsored by the Town of Caledon. Limited spaces available. Call the Centre at 905-951-6114 to reserve your seats.

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Donate and sort with the Friends of the Caledon Public Library

BY RILEY MURPHY
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The Friends of Caledon Public Library has two upcoming donation drop-off and sorting events.

You can drop off books to donate or help the Friends and sort the incoming books to your heart's content.

The Friends is a non-profit volunteer organization that supports and enhances library services in the community.

They coordinate book sales, support writing contests and help the library purchase materials.

After recently celebrating their 30th anniversary, the Friends have raised almost \$300,000 for the Caledon Public Library (CPL).

President of the Friends of CPL Victoria Edwards shared that one hundred percent of the money they raise goes directly to the library.

"We keep it in the community. We fundraise in our community for the community and our library," shared Edwards.

Volunteers with the Friends are called "Friends at Large" and that's how Edwards initially got involved.

She shared that as they work as a non-profit, they heavily rely on volunteers.

Those looking to become a Friend at Large can reach out to the Friends at CPL through the CPL website.

Edwards welcomes those wanting to help and sort at their upcoming events.

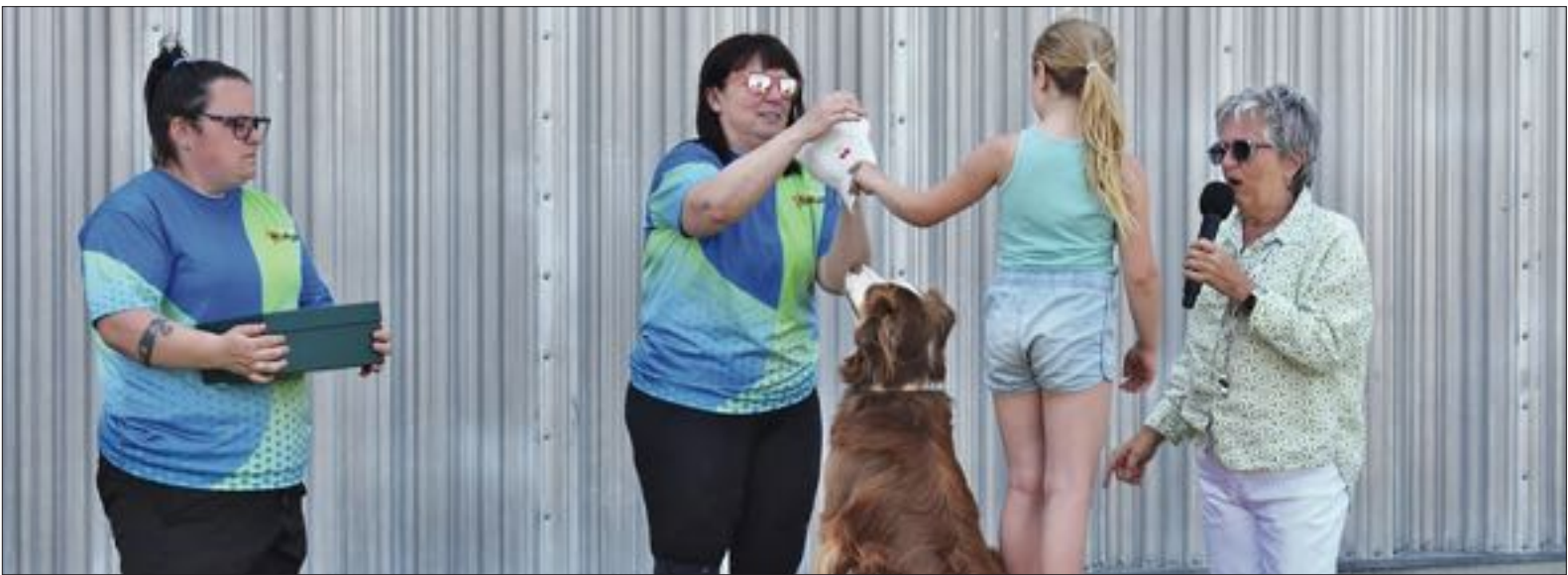
"We encourage people who want to come help, and it's so much fun, especially if you're like me," added Edwards. "You just love seeing what other people read, connecting with other people about what they read, and talking about books as we're sorting."

For those looking to sort through books or donate and declutter the upcoming Donation Drop-off & Sortings are on June 25, 6:30-8:30 pm and July 9, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.

The event is held in the basement of the Bolton United Church.

All donations must adhere to Caledon Public Library's donations criteria, which can be found at: caledon.library.on.ca/about-your-library/donations-and-support.

Friends are set to host book sales Monday, July 21 to Wednesday, July 23 at Albion Bolton Branch from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. each day.



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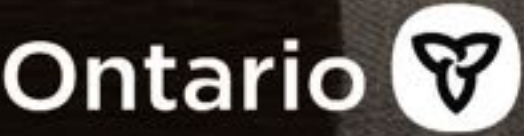
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Caring Communities

I don't care.
Well, I do – but, that's one of those phrases we say all too often, usually without a second thought, but almost always with a dismissive wave of the hand. Most of us do care, but such are the phrases we utter out of little more than reflex without really thinking about it as it leaves our lips.
“What do you want for dinner tonight?”
“I don't care.”
“What do you want to watch?”
“I don't care.”

Boil it down, you really do care, whether your tastebuds have a hankering, whether your favourite show might be on that night, or, you know, you have a conception of how your words and actions might impact others.

So, why has it become such a reflexive thing to say? Maybe it's just a matter of trying to move a conversation along, or to wade through conversational waters without making too many waves of your own. On the other hand, maybe it's a symptom of something a little bit deeper.

There might occasionally be some instances from time to time when the person who utters those three ridiculous, flippant words when a person genuinely doesn't care, but, in my experience, those who say it with regularity or, at the very least, disproportionate conviction, are usually the ones who very much care – or even care the most.

How many times have you thrown caution to the wind and stumbled against your better judgement into the comments section of an article, thread, or social media post, only to find yourself knee-deep in a sea of I-Don't-Cares on any number of subjects?

I don't know about the rest of you, but it seems that those who are most insistent on not caring, even taking time out of their oh-so-busy schedules to type out and register their lack of interest for posterity and, at the risk of undermining my own argument here, in the mistaken assumption that others had the slightest concern whether they cared or not.

In my own spare time – time which has, over the years, unfortunately become more sparing – I help run a social media account for a particular fandom. A co-moderator with two of my closest friends, it's a forum that engages thousands of people every day, can spur some decent discussions, but rare are the times our usually celebratory posts make waves.

That all changes, however, as June approaches as we take the time to wish our followers a Happy Pride. It's a fandom that appeals to a wide cross-section of our populace, transcends all demographic boundaries, and boasts followers across six continents, for which we're all truly grateful. But it is also a fandom that has a significant appeal to members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, so nothing could be more natural than wishing this particular demographic a Happy Pride when the month rolls around.

We're a welcoming bunch and ignoring a part of the year that celebrates inclusivity is simply not in our natures. And yet, whenever we post a message as simple as that, we're flooded with, at best, variations of “I don't care”, at worst, comments that are nothing short of hateful, and, at funniest, replies from people who don't even follow us, that they were going to “unfollow” us for daring to post such a thing. Some have even gone as far as following us and, after a lull of a few minutes, unfollowing us in an apparent effort to make some kind of point.

It's clear to us that this particular demo doesn't really care about the fandom at all; rather, they are seeking out places to vent

their respective spleens on this issue, which suggests that, despite their protestations, they really do care – and how!

This job is often something of a respite from that hotbed of negativity. That's not to say that the issues that face our communities are all sweetness and light – these issues can sometimes be as difficult to write about as it is to read about – but there's just so much good happening out there to keep the balance.

Reporting on those individuals and groups who do so much “good” in our community always warms my heart, not only for the benefits our communities reap from such “good”, but how much it undercuts the idea that the dreaded “I don't care” is nothing short of a juggernaut.

We see it in actions large and small – and, in some cases, examples where people don't really think of what they do as “doing good”; rather, they're just living their lives as they've always done, leaving positivity in their wake.

Perhaps the best, and most varied, examples of this can be found in our schools where week-in and week-out students, often guided by passionate and dedicated teachers who have their eyes on the big picture, find new ways to make a difference in their communities, whether they define their respective community by their school walls, the towns and cities in which they live, or as global citizens.

It's clear when they take on large-scale fundraisers for organizations like the Canadian Cancer Society, to pick but one of myriad examples, to give a hand-up to under-served and remote communities to help them be the best they can be, or it can be as simple as extending a hand of friendship to a peer who might be shy, bullied, othered, or simply have more difficulty than others in forging a genuine human connection.

Large or small, these grand or simple acts, can make a world of difference – immediately, or even down the road.

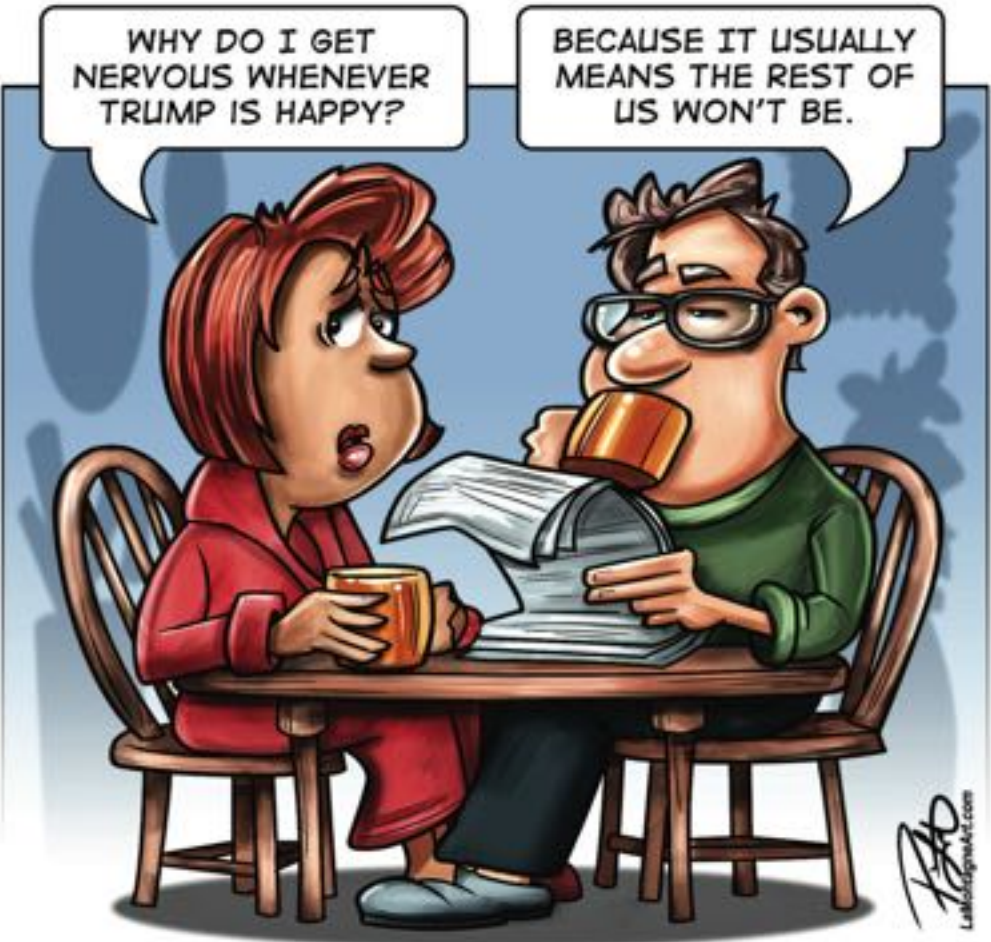
Through the 2025 Give Back Awards, a scholarship program administered by Magna International, to recognize students who have made valuable contributions to their communities rather than simply academic prowess alone, offered myriad examples of students making real, tangible differences in our communities, collectively dedicating thousands upon thousands of hours to issues, concerns, and initiatives beyond themselves.

We've also seen students recognized for exceptional advocacy work on the international stage. Even more have found their way into the spotlight, even reluctantly, for just being the change they want to see in the world.

As the school year winds down over the next week for many students, they, in my view, deserve a round of applause for what they've been able to take on above and beyond their day-to-day school work. This round of applause should also be extended to dedicated teachers and other faculty members who go above and beyond to provide or identify opportunities for students to make a real difference, even taking time out of their already busy days to foster these opportunities in house.

For those of you who are on the cusp of graduation this week or next, standing at the start of a new chapter of untold possibilities, you're closing another chapter with a job well done, and you should all be congratulated.

Having interviewed many of you over the last four years of your high school careers, I know that you will continue to seek out opportunities to continue your work, further your passions, and exercise the simple act of caring wherever you land.



Memories most excited by those wonderful smells

by Mark Pavilons



“Smell is a potent wizard that transports you across thousands of miles and all the years you have lived.” – Helen Keller

Sitting in a parking lot on a Saturday morning, my senses were overwhelmed by scents from several fast food joints. It triggered a memory and took me back.

It was a powerful moment, one filled with a host of emotions. Maybe my wife and I we're back sitting on the deck at the Fatman's Nephew in Port Lucaya, or having a drink from a vendor in Sosua.

I didn't have to know where I was exactly, to revel in this cerebral flashback. It was tasty! I almost shed a tear during this time-travelling moment that lasted only a minute or so.

The power of the mind. And the schnoz!
“As humans, we navigate the world mainly using sight,” says psychiatrist Drew Cumming, MD. “But the primitive areas of our brains still have connections from when our ancestors relied on smell to survive. These connections are the basis for scent memories.”

Your sense of smell starts when molecules in the air bind to smell receptors in the back of your nose. Like a lock and key, each receptor is specific for one type of odorant. When the two meet, it produces electrical signals in nerve cells (neurons) that travel to your brain.

The first stop for these nerve signals is the olfactory bulb, located just above your nasal cavity. The olfactory bulb processes the signals and sends them to structures deeper in your brain, including your Piriform cortex, which interprets nerve signals into what you know as a smell, and Amygdala, the emotional centre of your brain

If there's a strong emotion with the smell, the amygdala signals the hippocampus, where memories are formed. Nerve signals are also sent to the frontal lobes of your brain, which play a role in memory.

Your brain decides whether to form a long-term memory based on the significance of the experience, the doctor notes.

Research has shown that memories associated with smell carry more emotion than visual memories. One study exposed people to both smell and visual cues, and smell had a significantly greater effect on activity in the amygdala and the participants' reported emotions.

Smell is not only our first sense to devel-

op in utero, but it helped in our survival and evolution.

Smell helped us identify food, mating partners and danger. Although the human olfactory system changed over time, it functions much the same as it does in animals. Scent memories result from brain connections that are designed to help us stay alive.

Well, chock one up for those pool-side tasty, frosty beverages for keeping me alive!

For many people, smell-induced memories recall experiences from childhood. The reason may have something to do with the rapid brain development in early life.

“In animals, the smell-processing parts of the brain are among the first to develop,” says Dr. Cumming. “That's not exactly what happens in people, but childhood is when many brain connections are forming.”

Most of the time, smells spur pleasant memories that connect you with our younger selves.

Typically, we feel a bit happier afterwards.

So, aside from the biological technicalities, aren't smells wonderful?

When we describe smells to other people, they get it, right away. They're embedded in our brains.

I love the damp, musty smell of carpets in Caribbean hotels. It's the smell of the ocean, a scent of holidays and great times.

Most of us will agree some of the most wonderful smells in the world include freshly brewed coffee, chocolate, bread right out of the oven, and BBQ. I love the smell of our dogs, dry or wet!

Who hasn't taken in a deep breath through the nose after a summer's rain?

There's that “new car” smell; old book aroma, fresh-out-of-the-dryer fragrance, and of course that “new baby” scent. In my business, I'm well aware of the smell of off-the-presses newsprint.

I'm not sure how those are key to our survival, but I'll take each and every one of those.

I have a fondness for muscle cars of the 1970s and one of their distinguishing features is the smell of gas rushing through carburetors. Just like outboard motors, the smell of gas excites memories, or at least feelings of reckless youth, doing donuts, or spending summers on the lake.

Even when neighbours pull on their mowers, the smell of gas is the epitome of spring and summer.

This is the main reason I love these two seasons and dislike the cold. In warmer air, odor molecules travel faster so we can enjoy the bouquet that nature has to offer.

I'd like to add the whiff of freshly-cut grass to the list of wonderful aromas.

And, as a kid, who doesn't remember the smell of those pink gum sticks included in trading cards? Priceless.

They say that men tend to be visually stimulated while women are touch sensitive. But I'm sure were equally smell obsessed.

Maybe, just maybe, the best smell in the world is the person you love!

Long live the odours of our lives!

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Pride Month

I’ve promised in the past and will continue to maintain that I will always acknowledge and celebrate Pride Month. After all, what’s not to celebrate? Love, family, friends, and a world where we all just simply accept one another for who we are regardless of colour, race, religion, ethnicity and yes, sexual orientation.

This simple acknowledgement of being human is represented by a rainbow flag full of all the beautiful colours we see naturally occurring in this wonderful world of ours. As a simple piece of fabric billows in the breeze it’s a beautiful symbol of a movement, and of acceptance. Or is it?

Unfortunately, a flag is often the most divisive scrap of material you’ll ever come across.

Flags come in all shapes and sizes representing nations, specific causes, unity and peace, trade unions, or even businesses and non-profits, yet it seems the simple act of raising a flag invites some of the very worst behaviours in some people to emerge.

What a world we live in and right now, that world only seems to be getting worse with those on the far-right feeling more emboldened every day to spew hatred, and in some cases even violence, towards those in the LGBTQIA+ community.

This backward slide is manifesting itself in a number of ways both locally and globally. Companies, particularly large US based organizations, are bailing on sponsorships of local Pride related events. Here at home, Pride celebrations in Toronto have been impacted by both Google and Home Depot withdrawing their support completely and another large organization, Merck Canada, a pharmaceutical company, reducing their contribution amounts.

Kojo Modeste, Executive Director of Pride Toronto, has also said “other sponsors, namely Nissan Canada and Adidas, have also not renewed their sponsorships, while The Abnormal Beauty Company and Tim Hortons have lowered their contribution amounts.”

It’s been suggested that much of this is a reflection of America’s walking back of DEI initiatives.

It’s wrong there, and it’s certainly wrong here.

Pride7, an affinity group of “independent, non-governmental individuals that work to

create policy recommendations,” and which include organizations like Egale Canada, are working to “promote and protect the rights of LGBTQ+ people among G7 member states.”

With the upcoming G7 meeting taking place in Alberta in just a few weeks, they are “calling on top government officials to meaningfully advance LGBTQ2S+ rights,” noting that “Even in the world’s most advanced economies, 2SLGBTQI rights are under threat,” according to Helen Kennedy, Executive Director of Egale.

“Rising hate, disinformation, and policy rollbacks show that progress is not guaranteed. G7 leaders must take this seriously – by listening to LGBTQIA+ voices, adopting the Pride7 Communiqué, and recognizing Pride7 as an official part of the G7 process.”

It would seem now, more than ever, such efforts are very, very necessary.

Locally, this upcoming weekend our neighbours in Orangeville will host Celebrate Your Awesome, a weekend-long Pride event full of fun activities and plenty of entertainment. Sadly, it looks like all the nasty voices are coming out of the woodwork to comment on it.

I’ve been told again and again not to engage in a thought war in an echo chamber because it’s a waste of time, but at what point do we stop letting the hateful comments slide and fight back? You don’t have to be rude, just ask a very basic question of our fellow community members: where is your sense of common humanity? We are all just humans trying to exist in this world. What happened to some of you that you have so much hate in your heart directed towards one group of people?

We cannot go backwards.

My hope for this weekend’s celebration, for the Pride Toronto celebrations and for the flag that represents Pride, is that communities gather in celebration of the fact that Love is Love.

It really is that simple.

Let the flag be a representation of acceptance, and let Canada be an example to the world of that philosophy - locally, and on the world stage at the G7 summit.

What are the odds Poilievre stays as Tory leader?

BY PETER BLACK
OPINION



PETER BLACK

There are so many betting platforms out there surely one of them must be giving odds on how long Pierre Poilievre will survive as leader of the Conservative Party of Canada.

A realistic reading of the political landscape leads to the conclusion Poilievre is more than likely done as leader; the question is when and how.

The “when” could be January, according to various media reports, with the staging of a post-election party convention, at which time, as per party policy, Poilievre will face a leadership review vote. The date next year might disappoint hard-core Poilievre loyalists wishing to limit the time potential enemies would have to organize a coup.

With a vote of confidence in Poilievre on the horizon, Canadians will soon enough be treated to yet another Shakespearean epic of Conservative plotting and back-stabbing resulting in the choice of the fifth Tory leader since Stephen Harper’s ignoble departure in 2015.

Folks will recall that Harper resigned almost immediately after losing to Justin Trudeau, Andrew Scheer resigned almost as quickly after losing to Trudeau in 2019, and Eric O’Toole was swiftly forced out by the Tory caucus – a purge Poilievre organized – after losing to Trudeau in 2021.

Now it’s up to Poilievre to decide whether he can win a fight to retain his leadership and earn another shot at the Liberal leader who just beat him and who is very pointedly not Justin Trudeau.

Fighting to keep the leadership he has so long coveted, incidentally, begins with Poilievre winning a byelection in a safe Alberta riding which Prime Minister Mark Carney could call for as early as August.

Being back in the House of Commons when it resumes in September certainly would enhance his standing with a caucus troubled by a leader who didn’t win his seat in Ontario, a place where the party otherwise made significant gains.

And, most importantly, Conservatives – and Canadians as a whole – will be able to judge what lessons Poilievre has learned from the last election by his performance in the House.

Suffice it to say the “Ripper” - the title of a recent bio of the Conservative leader - had it easy when Trudeau was his punching bag in Question Period.

Can he bring his inner attack dog to heel and refrain from using “woke” or “whacko” on an opponent who is decidedly neither? Can he find effective lines of attack on a stack of policies essentially pilfered from his party?

The last time the Conservatives put a leader to a test was in March 2005 when Harper faced a vote fol-

lowing the 2004 election in which he held a predicted Liberal majority under Paul Martin to a minority.

Harper won that leadership vote by 84 per cent and forthwith won a Conservative minority government in the election the next year.

Prior to that, there was the startling experience of Progressive Conservative leader Joe Clark, the guy who beat Pierre Trudeau in May 1979 and then coughed up government to him less than a year later.

Naturally, the PCs were somewhat peeved that Clark had thrown away power over a botched Parliamentary confidence vote, so the knives were out, including a rather lethal blade wielded by Brian Mulroney.

At the first leadership review in February 1981, Clark considered a 66 per cent vote a strong enough endorsement to carry on. At a second convention in January 1983, however, Clark decided essentially the same percentage was inadequate.

He called a leadership convention for June of the same year, and lost to Mulroney by 259 votes on the fourth ballot. A little more than a year later Mulroney led the PCs back to the promised land of power and all was forgiven.

Whether Poilievre is or should be “one and done” will be the question consuming Conservatives for the foreseeable future. Meanwhile, Carney, busily seizing the moment with a dizzying agenda of action, could be contemplating a trick employed by another Tory leader, John Diefenbaker.

The Prairie renegade won a slim minority in the 1957 election, then nine months later called a snap election that delivered the largest majority in Canadian history.

That’s the kind of majority Poilievre was poised to win until Carney came along. Polls now show Carney is about 25 points ahead of Poilievre in popularity; the same gap the Tory leader had over Trudeau a mere few months ago.

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Meet the inspirational teams members behind this year’s Vélocity Ride



(Left) Ted Webb, 92, is pictured at this year’s Ride. (Right) Celebrating success.

PHOTOS BY RILEY MURPHY

Continued from FRONT

Every dollar raised goes towards helping Caledon seniors stay healthy, active, and independent.

CCS CEO Geraldine Aguiar, spoke on this year’s theme for the ride.

“CCS has been a champion for the community. But we couldn’t be a champion for the community without each and every one of you. All of us here play a part. And today, our theme is Together We Can, and together is exactly how we’re going to make a difference in this community,” said Aguiar.

Awards and prizes were presented to recognize individual members’ and teams’ hard work and effort.

Team Silcotech was the largest team this year and one of the top sponsors.

Isolde Boettger and Michael Maloney announced during the celebrations that Silcotech will no longer be ONE of the top sponsors next year, but THE top sponsor of the 2026 Vélocity ride.

Boettger also shared that this year, Silcotech purchased all of the bikes for their team so that everyone could take part.

They will go on to store the bikes so that people can borrow them, go out on their own, and have them available for next year’s event.

As the event fell on Father’s Day weekend, Vélocity honoured all the family teams participating.

Mortons in Motion is a family team that raised almost \$3,000.

Gordon, Elizabeth, and David Morton have participated in the Vélocity ride for the past few years. They all biked the trail route together, enjoying the beautiful weather and the time well spent together.

David, Gordon and Elizabeth’s son, flies down to take part in the ride with them, as well.

He shared that it’s also the perfect time to spend some time with his dad for Father’s Day.

They have been cycling together for about 12 years now.

“I see the important work that CCS does for seniors so it’s a way to support what I think is important and do what we all like doing,” shared Gordon Morton.

To no surprise, one man who held the most titles this year was Ted Webb from Ted’s Terra Cotta Trailblazers.

Webb has carried the title for multiple years and has no plans to stop.

“If you want to live to my age, keep cycling,” Webb said to the Vélocity crowd.

Webb shared that he’s been cycling as long as he can remember; growing up in England, it was often the way to get around.

But, like a trail route, Webb faced many twists, turns, and rough terrain to get to where he is today.

In 1939, Webb was part of the mass evacuation out of London, where Germany was invading.

He moved around to multiple different places and ended up in the forces.

Here, he met Canadian soldiers, and Webb said they were friendly, fun-loving

people.

“And I said, look, you know what? If everybody’s like that in Canada, I’m going. Two years later, I immigrated and now I’m here. No regrets.”

Now, Webb lives in Terra Cotta, surrounded by his family and neighbours, and now his teammates for Vélocity.

“I wouldn’t be here if it wasn’t cycling. I wouldn’t have met my good friends that I’ve had for years through cycling,” shared Webb.

At 92 years old, he isn’t slowing down; he plans to cycle 5,000 km this year.

“That’s what I’m trying to say about cycling. It’s goals,” said Webb. “I’ve got goals to achieve.”

And Vélocity will continue trying to reach its goal of \$70,000 through their website until June 30.

Donations can be made at caledoncommunityservices.akaraisin.com/ui/ccsvelocity2025/pledge/sponsor/start.



NEWS

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June is National Indigenous History Month in Canada



June is National Indigenous History Month in Canada, a time to learn about unique cultures and traditions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis. Several events will take place throughout the Town of Caledon during this special time:

- National Indigenous Peoples Day – June 21
- Flag Raising for National Indigenous History Month – June 24 at 2 p.m., at Town Hall
- ‘An Evening of Indigenous Storytelling and Poetry’ by Gimaa R. Stacey Laforme, former Chief of MCFN – Free event on June 26 from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Humber River Centre

These events are about honouring, celebrating and learning about Indigenous histories, traditions, and cultures. Residents are encouraged to take part in these important events.

Final property taxes are due



Regular late payment fees apply.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Lobbyist Registry

The Town is introducing a Lobbyist Registry to publicly document who is lobbying the Towns’ public office holders.

The Lobbyist Registry is available at caledon.ca/lobbyistregistry

The registry applies to individuals and organizations who communicate with members of Council or senior staff representing a business or financial interest to influence legislation.

As of July 1, 2025, anyone taking part in lobbying as defined by the Lobbyist Registry By-law must register within ten (10) calendar days of any communication with a public office holder.

Registration as a lobbyist should reflect the time period the lobbying occurs and can be for up to one year before resubmission.

June is Recreation and Parks Month in Caledon with Free Activities and Events



The Town invites residents of all ages to enjoy free, drop-in activities across Caledon including:

June 21 at Southfields Community Centre & Skate Park: Free public swim, adapted swim, skatepark event (3-5 p.m.) with music and contests, and fitness facility access.

Use the Recreation App to check in your digital membership card, or make a transaction and, you could win one of four great prizes of a Recreation 10x Pass!

Full details at [Caledon.ca/JRPM](https://caledon.ca/JRPM).



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PHOTO PROVIDED BY JACKIE THORNTON

Challenger Baseball Caledon hits capacity as 2025 season swings into action

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Challenger Baseball Caledon kicked off its 2025 season on June 7 for Opening Day. Players met their team, coaches, and buddies and played their first game.

Challenger Baseball is a program that provides an opportunity for children with cognitive or physical disabilities to enjoy the full benefits of participation in baseball at a level structured to their abilities.

The games are played in a fun, safe environment, where “Buddies” are assigned to help participants throughout the game.

Program Director Jackie Thornton has been a part of Challenger Baseball since 2018 and said her family is a baseball family. With her current role as a resource teacher for kids with special needs in Caledon, she said it was a natural fit to become program director.

She shared this is the first year the program has been at maximum capacity for participants.

To Thornton, this means there is a real need in Caledon for this type of program.

There was a barbecue, music, and face painting on opening day and Thornton said the occasion helped transition kids back to the program and seeing their friends.

“The big part of it is the families getting to bring their child somewhere and being part of a networking group. The kids get to see their friends, they get to be physically active, they get to participate in something,” said Thornton.

As the buddies for the players are volunteers, Thornton recruited many students who are graduating middle school and potentially need community hours.

“I had recruited kids who’ve never worked with kids with special needs and young adults. That opportunity for them to know that they can contribute to the community and be compassionate and put forth an effort for somebody else – it was heartwarming,” said Thornton. “It was just amazing to see those buddies see something in themselves that they may have never seen be-

fore.”

Thornton said she’s seen many students who, even after completing their hours, come back repeatedly.

“My whole vision for this program since I’ve taken it over has also been to get people invested in their community,” said Thornton. “It’s about giving our special needs players opportunities to play and be able to network and be physically active. But, it’s also about instilling the idea of community to our young people and being part of something.”

As their program grows, Thornton shared they are seeking older buddies be able to help their young adult players participate.

Mike Brunetto, a coach and committee member with Challenger Baseball, shared a similar sentiment regarding the buddies.

“It’s a great way for students to get volunteer hours and also learn about the very special people that are in their community, which is the kids that we work with,” shared Brunetto.

Brunetto said he was very pleased to see older players and young adults join the team this year as he runs Community Support Network events, which are a large part of helping support loved ones from school to adulthood.

Brunetto said that often there is not much in place for children with cognitive or physical disabilities after they leave school; he advocates for services that extend support to these children for a welcoming and inclusive journey to adulthood.

This is why Brunetto was thrilled to see part of an older crowd join Challenger baseball this year.

“I think the biggest thing for us is it’s important to treat these events like family events. These are not meant to be drop-offs in the spirit of drop-offs, but it’s more about how do we get to know each other, who are the other families in the community like us, and how do we continue to keep growing,” said Brunetto.

Challenger Baseball will run every Saturday.

The upcoming Community Support Network event includes a potluck at the Humber River Centre on June 27 and a BBQ Picnic at Cold Creek Conservation Area on July 20.

Notice of Application for Approval to Expropriate Land

Form 2
Expropriations Act, R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 363



IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Regional Municipality of Peel for approval to expropriate the lands, as set out in Schedule “A” herein, in the Town of Caledon, in the Regional Municipality of Peel being:

1. **Permanent Feedermain Easement:** Limited Interest in Perpetuity for the purpose of a free, uninterrupted and unobstructed permanent easement in gross or rights in the nature of a permanent easement in gross to enter, occupy and re-enter by The Regional Municipality of Peel including its servants, agents, employees, contractors, sub-contractors and workers, with all necessary material, including, but not limited to, vehicles, machinery, supplies and equipment at all times in, on, over, through, under, above, along and upon the applicable lands for the municipal purpose of constructing, installing, operating, maintaining, inspecting, altering, removing, replacing, reconstructing, enlarging and repairing watermain, feedermain and related appurtenances, including without limiting the foregoing removal of trees, shrubs, bushes, branches, stumps and roots and prevention or control of the growth of same, and the removal of any other material or object which may interfere with the use and enjoyment of this easement or damage the infrastructure within the easement area (“**Permanent Feedermain Easement**”)

For the municipal purpose of the West Caledon (Zone 7) Transmission Main and Storage Facility project, in the Town of Caledon together with works ancillary thereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the interests herein described in the lands described hereinbefore.

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires a hearing into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing,

- (a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty (30) days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice;
- (b) in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:
The Council of The Regional Municipality of Peel
10 Peel Centre Drive,
Brampton, ON L6T 4B9

Name of expropriating authority:
The Regional Municipality of Peel
10 Peel Centre Drive,
Brampton, ON L6T 4B9

The Regional Municipality of Peel
Aretha Adams, Regional Clerk

THIS NOTICE FIRST PUBLISHED ON JUNE 5TH, 2025
SCHEDULE “A”

Those lands in the Town of Caledon in the Regional Municipality of Peel described as follows:

- Permanent Feedermain Easement**
Part of PIN 14255-0100 (LT)
Part of Lot 19, Concession 4, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon (Geographic Township of Chinguacousy), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on Reference Plan 43R-41868
- Permanent Feedermain Easement**
Part of PIN 14255-0135 (LT)
Part of Lot 19, Concession 4, West of Hurontario Street, Town of Caledon (Geographic Township of Chinguacousy), Regional Municipality of Peel, designated as Parts 1 and 2 on Reference Plan 43R-41869

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PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: POPA 2024-0011, RZ 2024-0034
RELATED FILE NUMBER(S): SPA 2025-0016, SPA 2025-0017, DART POPA 2024-0001,

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received applications for an Official Plan Amendment application and a Zoning By-law Amendment. A statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to the applications. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: July 15, 2025
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- 1. Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting.
- 2. Submit Written Comments: Submit written comments regarding the application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at <http://www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council>
- 3. Virtually: Participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request. For more information, please visit <http://www.caledon.ca/notice> or contact the Planning & Development Department. Please note that there are deadlines to request participation at the Public Meeting.

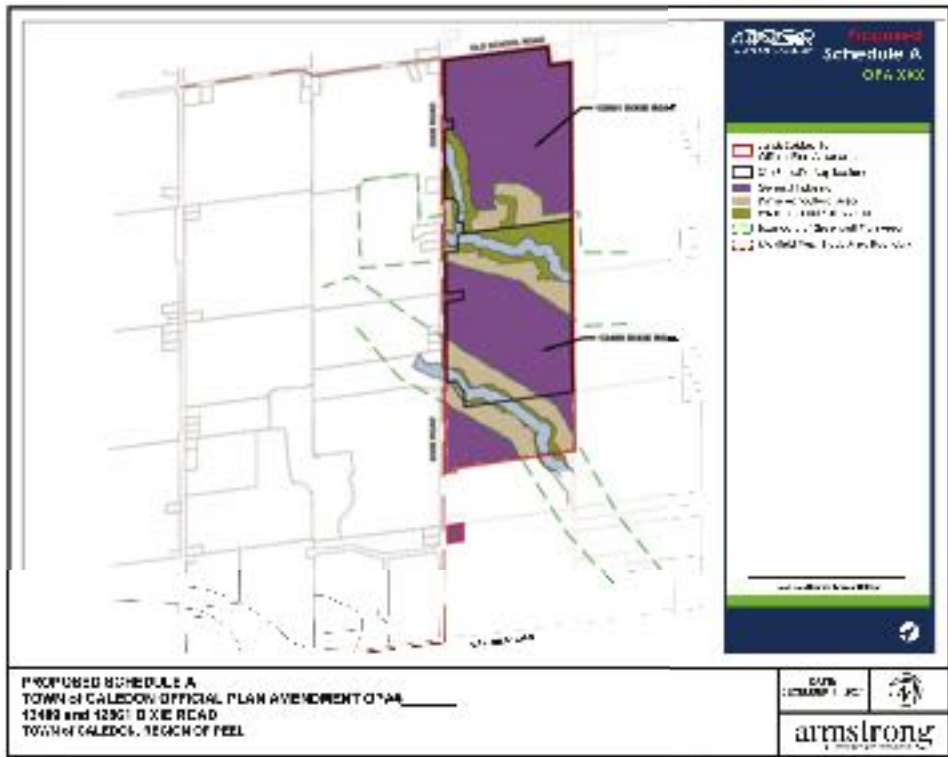
YOU CAN ALSO PROVIDE INPUT BY:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca for consideration during the Public Meeting. Written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit caledon.ca/development for more information.

APPLICANT: Armstrong Planning & Project Management on behalf of QuadReal Property Group
LOCATION: 0, 12189, 12321, 12393, 12423, 12439, 12489, 12587, 12669, 12707, 12731, 12861, and 12891 Dixie Road, Caledon ON

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The Official Plan and Zoning-By-law amendment applications are intended to facilitate an industrial development (warehouse, distribution, industrial uses) that is comprised of five (5) industrial buildings, associated road networks, stormwater management facilities, and environmentally protected features by providing a policy framework for the entire area. The applicant is also proposing to rezone the lands located at 12489 & 12861 Dixie Road with appropriate development standards to permit employment uses.



*The aerial mapping is for information purposes OR The illustration is a conceptual plan for information purposes and it is subject to change. The application is currently under review by the Town of Caledon.

LEAD PLANNER:
Harsh Padhya
Senior Planner, Development and Design
Planning and Development Department
905-584-2272 ext. 4997
email: harsh.padhya@caledon.ca

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
For more information about this matter, including appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendment and for supporting material, please visit www.caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

APPEAL PROCEDURE:
If a person or public body would otherwise have an ability to appeal the decision of the Town of Caledon to the Ontario Land Tribunal but the

person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted or the Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the proposed Official Plan Amendment is adopted or the Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

HOW TO STAY INFORMED:
If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Town of Caledon on

the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment, you must make a written request to the Clerk of the Town of Caledon, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon, Ontario L7C 1J6.

ACCESSIBILITY:
If you require an accessibility accommodation to attend or participate in this Public Meeting, or to access any materials related to this item in an alternate format please contact Records and Information Services by phone at 905-584-2272 x.2366 or via email at accessibility@caledon.ca. Requests should be submitted at least 10 days before the Public Meeting.

Multi-Tenant Landowners: Please post this notice in a visible location to all residents of the land.

Notice Date: June 19, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2024-0029 & 21T-24010C
RELATED FILE NUMBER(S): POPA 2021-0009

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received applications for a Zoning By-law Amendment and an associated Draft Plan of Subdivision. A statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to the proposed applications. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: July 15, 2025
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
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- 1. Attend In-Person: Register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting.
- 2. Submit Written Comments: Submit written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at <http://www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council>
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- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit caledon.ca/development for more information.

APPLICANT: Candevcon on behalf of Trends Development Inc.
LOCATION: 12909 Kennedy Road, Lot 22, Concession 2 Town of Caledon

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The application for the Zoning By-law amendment and Draft Plan of Subdivision are intended to facilitate a mix of residential uses including single detached dwellings, semi-detached dwellings, street townhouse dwellings, stacked townhouse units, apartments, and natural heritage and open space uses.



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or make written submissions to the Town of Caledon before the proposed Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

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New TMU-PDSB program gives Peel students early exposure to healthcare careers

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
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The final component of The Future of Healthcare Program from Peel District School Board (PDSB), in partnership with Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU), has just launched.

The first-of-its-kind initiative gives 25 PDSB secondary students a university-level learning experience focused on building a more just and equitable healthcare system.

TMU’s Faculty of Community Services and School of Medicine with PDSB has brought forward its first course, Equity in the Future of Healthcare.

The 13-week course begins on September 17, 2025, and will serve as a student’s weekly co-op placement.

The course centers on understanding health equity and inequity through case studies, personal reflections, and academic frameworks that examine power, privilege, and the social determinants of health. It will explore how access, delivery, and representation issues shape equity and justice in Canada’s healthcare system.

Students involved can explore real-world healthcare fields such as nursing, medicine, midwifery, nutrition, public health, and social work through guest lectures, hands-on activities, and visits to TMU labs and classrooms.

The program helps to prepare the next generation of health sector leaders.

Mirjan Krstovic, Resource Teacher with Peel District School Board, said he hopes the course will help students better understand what equity in healthcare is and how they can adopt an equity mindset to advocate for greater social justice for marginalized communities now and in the future.

“Being a change-maker begins by becoming aware of the issues and barriers that certain communities face when it comes to accessing and receiving healthcare. I wish for students to contribute to healthcare initiatives that will eliminate discrimination and prejudice on the basis of income, race, gender, ethnicity or language barriers,” said Krstovic.

Krstovic said students frequently tell him they want to make a difference. He says he hopes the newly constructed knowledge and skills through the course will boost their confidence in ways that will allow students to see themselves as future healthcare professionals who are culturally sensitive and culturally responsive and care deeply about all members of our diverse communities.

“This out-of-school opportunity will give students early exposure to a university course where they will learn to tackle rigorous academic tasks such as research, writing academic papers, and developing advocacy skills,” said Krstovic. “Students in this course will also receive two hours per week of academic mentorship from TMU students who will support the PDSB students through the academic tasks. I hope that this mentorship model, combined with the rich course content and field trips to nursing and midwifery labs, TMU campus and the TMU’s new School of Medicine will have a positive and lasting impact on our PDSB students.”

Dr. Ashifa Jiwa, Associate Dean, Equity & Social Accountability, School of Medicine at Toronto Metropolitan University, stated that at TMU, they believe that embedding critical thought and a broad perspective of what impacts the health of populations early in education is key to creating future leaders who will be creative visionaries for our healthcare system.

“By engaging high school students in this course, particularly those from communities that traditionally face barriers, we are challenging and inspiring them to see themselves as future leaders within our healthcare system. In doing so, we are investing in a future where healthcare is more representative, equitable and responsive to the needs of all Canadians. Representation in healthcare improves outcomes and reduces disparities, this program is part of that systemic change,” shared Dr. Ashifa Jiwa.

She shared that 25 students from five Peel secondary schools are enrolled in the pilot program and that many of these students come from communities that are underrepresented in health professions.

“This program is helping them see themselves as future doctors, nurses, midwives and more. A dedicated TMU student mentorship component ensures these high schoolers feel supported, connected, and confident throughout the course. The program is intentionally designed to build a sense of belonging and possibility, especially for those who’ve historically faced barriers in accessing post-secondary education or healthcare careers,” she said.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC MEETING



Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-Law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: POPA 2025-0013, RZ 2025-0015

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has initiated applications for an Official Plan Amendment and a Zoning By-law Amendment. A statutory Public Meeting will be held to provide those interested an opportunity to make representation with respect to the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment application(s). Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Please be advised that the Town of Caledon is offering a Hybrid Committee and Council Meeting model with options for you to engage with Council, including in-person or virtual opportunities.

Meeting Date: July 15th, 2025
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- Attend In-Person: Members of the public may register to delegate in-person and speak to an item listed on the agenda or sit in the gallery to watch the meeting.
- Submit Written Comments: Members of the public may submit written comments regarding the proposed application by completing the Participation Request Form, available at <http://www.caledon.ca/speak-at-council>
- Virtually: Members of the public are welcome to participate via phone or WebEx Meeting upon request. For more information, please visit <http://www.caledon.ca/notice> or contact the Planning Department. Please note that there are deadlines to request participation at the Public Meeting.

You can also provide input by:

- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and housing@caledon.ca for consideration during the Public Meeting. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting Planning staff or the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).
- Booking an appointment to visit Town Hall to speak with Planning staff. Visit caledon.ca/housing for more information.

APPLICANT: The Corporation of the Town of Caledon
LOCATION: Applies to all lands within the limits of the Town of Caledon
PROPOSED CHANGES:

Through the Housing Accelerator Fund (HAF), Caledon is committed to increasing housing supply and enabling diverse housing options to meet the needs of our growing community.

The changes will amend the Town of Caledon’s Official Plan and Zoning By-law to support a more diverse and attainable housing future for its growing community. The Town of Caledon is proposing official plan and zoning changes that expand housing options in both urban and rural areas. These updates allow for up to four units per lot by introducing multiplex dwellings and adjusting standards for Additional Residential Units (ARUs) that align with provincial policies and preserve community character.

LEAD PLANNER:

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Senior Planner, Development Planning and Development Department
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment and for supporting material, please visit www.caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner at Town Hall from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Founders find support and community in early days of Caledon and DMZ’s Incubator Program

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“Over the course of the next few months, we’re going to continue meeting with as many local entrepreneurs as we can and doing a pulse on their businesses and getting a good idea of where the areas of support that they need the most, and then helping them come up with both a high level strategy, as well as a tactical plan that will allow them to grow their businesses and then to really achieve whatever reality they’re looking for in terms of their dream business, the dream lifestyle,” said Shivraj.

Entrepreneurs can book 15-minute sessions before moving onto the 45-minute virtual chat; Shivraj said it all begins with the 15-minute virtual consultation.

From there, residents can obtain real strategic support from the program.

St. John shared that through the Humber River Centre Business Incubator, they aim

to incubate approximately 45 startups over the course of the initiative, hosting a series of workshops, seminars, and peer-to-peer events to build a more connected and resilient business community.

“This initiative isn’t just about supporting early-stage companies. It’s part of our long-term economic development strategy to foster innovation, attract investment, and ensure Caledon-based businesses have access to the same level of support available in larger urban centres. By partnering with DMZ, one of the world’s top-ranked university-based incubators, we’re bringing world-class resources, mentorship, and programming directly into our community. Ultimately, our goal is to help Caledon businesses start, grow, and expand whether they’re tech-enabled startups, local service providers, or companies in the food, agriculture, or advanced manufacturing sectors,” said St. John.

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Mayfield Girls rugby dynasty rolls to sixth straight ROPSSAA title and earns silver at OFSAA

BY JIM STEWART

It’s been said that there are only two sure things in this life: death and taxes. However, a third sure thing manifesting itself in Caledon is the Mayfield Mavericks’ ability to win ROPSSAA championships.

Mayfield’s margin of victory in the regional championship game indicated the team’s dynastic dominance. The superb Mavericks’ squad coasted to a 63-0 home victory over the visiting Streetsville Tigers to capture their sixth straight ROPSSAA pennant.

“The Mavericks were locked in on defense—limiting the Tigers’ ability to create any ground in the shutout,” said Mayfield Coach Jon Forbes. “Offensively, the Mavericks used a disciplined offensive structure as well as capitalized in transition to score an impressive nine tries in the game.”

The Mavericks got scoring from up and down their lineup versus Streetsville. Kyla Corbett and Kenzie Smith scored three tries each. Ariel Baugh ran in two tries and Azzarah Reid added one.

Corbett contributed six converts to Mayfield’s offensive attack.

The Mayfield Girls Rugby Dynasty—ranked fifth in Ontario entering the provincial play-downs – added another chapter to its recent glorious history by capturing a silver medal at the OFSAA championships last week in Aurora.

Although the Mavericks powered through their first contests at the provincials, the ROPSSAA champs were edged 12-7 by the #2 seed and last year’s tournament runner up, Peterbor-



Mayfield Mavericks win sixth straight ROPSSAA Girls Varsity Rugby championship.

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ough’s Thomas A. Stewart, in the Championship Final.

According to Coach Forbes, “It was a defensive battle with both teams not giving anything up for the full fifty minutes.

At the end of full-time, the score was 0-0 and in overtime, playing 10 on 10 and being a player down, Mayfield gave up two tries and found themselves down 12-0 after the first half. In the last five minutes of the game, the Mavs scored on a try by Ariel Baugh, who was also awarded player of the game, and converted it but ultimately ran out of time. [The girls] won a silver medal at one of the most difficult tournaments in high school sports.”

The Mavericks played the host school, St Maximilian Kolbe, in Game 1. Coach Forbes noted that “It was a tough game and although we roared out to a 12-0 lead at the half, the

home team clawed their way back scoring late in the game.”

Mayfield held on to win 12-7 with Lily Vandenhoeck scoring two tries and Kyla Corbett making one conversion. Vandenhoeck was also named the player of the game for the Mavericks.

On the second day at OFSSA, Mayfield took on the 4th-ranked Bayside Devils from Belleville.

Coach Forbes described it as “a grueling battle between two very strong defenses. Scoring was hard to come by, but we led 5-0 at the half on a fantastic try by Ariel Baugh. Bayside managed to tie up the game with a late score making it 5-5 but the Mavericks kept their composure and Azzarah Reid, on the last play of the game, made a strong run up the middle scoring under the posts to win the game 12-5. Player of the

game Kyla Corbett converted the winning try taking the Mavs to the semi-finals.”

The semi-finals pitted Mayfield against Ursaline College from Chatham who knocked out the # 1 seed and reigning champion JF Ross Collegiate from Guelph. Coach Forbes encapsulated the contest.

“We came out strong and were up 12-0 in the first half. The girls kept up the pressure and won the semi-final 26-5.”

Chloe Mullis, Jessica Vella, Kyla Corbett, Ariel Baugh, and player of the match Adelle Byrski scored tries against Ursaline College. Corbett also contributed three conversions in Mayfield’s top offensive performance at the provincials.

Coach Forbes extended his congratulations to “a great group of athletes that rose to the occasion and made Mayfield proud.”

Brewers’ bats stay hot in 13-5 beating of Ivy Rangers

Warden and Sterritt go deep against 2024 playoff nemesis

BY JIM STEWART

Veterans Ben Sterritt and Steve Warden hit seventh inning home runs that served as exclamation points in the Brewers’ impressive 13-5 win over the Rangers in Ivy on Thursday night.

Player-Coach Mike Wallace expressed relief that the Brewers’ bats have heated up with the weather.

“The offense is starting to click. It’s what we expected. We’ve always been more of a hitting team. After a cold and wet start to the season where we were a bit behind due to a number of cancelled permits, it’s great to see the return of our offensive power.”

Coach Wallace praised the power of his home run hitters versus Ivy.

“Ben’s shot was an opposite field home run—they were pitching him tough all game, but he hit a curveball over the centerfield fence. It was great to see him stay back on an off-speed pitch. Steve Warden—in typical fashion—absolutely rocketed one over the left field fence. The outfielders started tracking Sterritt’s home run, but Warden’s shot was gone off the bat. The outfielders barely flinched. There wasn’t a field in this league that would have held that ball.”

Chris Fafalios, who leads Bolton in batting average, showed his versatility by toeing the rubber for the Brewers.

Coach Wallace was pleased with Fafalios’s

spot start.

“It was great to see. We’ve been experimenting with expanding our pitching staff. Chris has been throwing pens on the side. We were going to go with a bullpen game against Ivy, but we didn’t need to because Chris threw over five innings for us.”

Fafalios drew dual duty on Thursday night in Ivy. The veteran gave the Brewers 5 1/3 innings, scattered six hits, and struck out three Rangers. He contributed with the bat, too—collecting two hits, driving in one, and scoring three runs.

Another Brewer doing double duty was Sterritt who threw 1 1/3 innings of scoreless relief and struck out two Rangers. The speedy center-fielder banged out three hits, including his 7th inning dinger, and scored three runs.

Coach Wallace discussed the value of Sterritt’s innings pitched: “We’re going with a smaller roster this season so the bullpen could be a bit challenging for us. We’re looking for Chris, Ben, and Brett Chater to come in from their defensive positions and help our bullpen.”

Brett Chater and Coach Wallace also collected three hits each to help pace the Brewers’ potent offence which has produced 43 runs during Bolton’s three-game winning streak.

Reid Deibert and Warden drove in three runs each.

The Brewers exacted a small measure of revenge against the Rangers and their starting pitcher Jamie Gillispie, who was responsible for dispatching Bolton out of the 2024 NDBL playoffs in the second round.

“He’s one of the league’s best pitchers so when you get a win versus Jamie, you take it and run. We made Jamie work and got his pitch count up. We’re a good hitting team and we had quality at-

bats against him on Thursday night.”

The Brewers will need those quality bats on Saturday when they play a doubleheader against league-leading Midland. The Mariners currently sport a 7-1-1 record and Coach Wallace discussed to keys to beating Midland: They’ve brought in a lot of younger players, including pitchers. We

know they’re going to be aggressive and we’ll need to take advantage of that.”

With the victory in Ivy over the Rangers, Bolton improved its third-place record to 6-3-1. The Brewers’ next home game is Thursday, June 19 versus the Barrie Angels. First pitch will be 7:30 p.m. at North Hill Park.



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HOWARD CLARK ADAMS

APRIL 29, 1932 – JUNE 11, 2025

Peacefully at Headwaters Health Care Centre on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at the age of 93.

Beloved husband of Jane Adams, and the late Gwen Adams (1994). Cherished father of Rob Adams (Jane), Andrew Adams (Christine), Lynne Adams, and Alan Adams (Emily). Proud and loving grandfather of Alex, Emily, Johnathon, Matthew, Ben, Hugh, Liam, Anderson, Madeleine, Gwen, Thomas, Spencer, Evan, Cade, and Tate. Loving brother of Patricia and the late Margaret (2003). Fondly remembered by Jane's family—Helen Dowd (Tim), Dorothy McKay (Carl)—as well as extended family, dear friends, and the Orangeville community, who will deeply miss him.

Clark was a lawyer, judge, entrepreneur, father, grandfather, author, skier, pilot, cottager, gentleman farmer, and world traveller. Born on April 29, 1932, in Long Branch, Ontario, he graduated from the University of Toronto's Ontario Agricultural College (OAC) and subsequently from Osgoode Hall Law School. He moved to Orangeville, Ontario in 1962 and practiced law for over 30 years. A passionate contributor to his community, Clark served on many local organizations, including the Rotary Club, and was Chair of the Dufferin County School Board. He was appointed Queen's Counsel and was honoured by the Law Society of Upper Canada with the Bicentennial Award of Merit for Public Service.

A lifelong optimist, Clark had the perfect temperament to be a devoted Toronto Maple Leaf fan. His sharp wit, dry humour, and deep love of music were well known. He had a beautiful singing voice—performing in musicals in his youth—and continued to sing nightly alongside Jane at the piano, even at 93.



Clark led by example, modelling kindness, humility, and unconditional love. He was a devoted father and grandfather, never missing a game, recital, or milestone, and always beaming with pride at his family's accomplishments. He lived a remarkable life, but his greatest legacy is the strong and loving family he built.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Dods & McNair Funeral Home & Chapel, 21 First Street, Orangeville, on Thursday, August 14, 2025, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the Headwaters Health Care Centre Foundation.

A tree will be planted in Clark's memory in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at Island Lake Conservation Area.

Condolences may be offered at www.dodsandmcnair.com

SHELAGH MARGARET JANE ROBERTS

JUNE 29, 1941 - MAY 30, 2025

Shelagh Roberts, who passed away at home in Orangeville on May 30, 2025 at the age of 83. Beloved daughter of May & Lou Roberts (deceased), sister to Kathy Duncan and husband Bruce, and the fun-loving Aunt of Matthew and Russell Duncan, and Kate Hart with many beloved friends.

Shelagh will be remembered for her immense generosity, adventurous spirit and the strength she had every day. Shelagh was amazing one woman show, blending the precision of IBM with her love of attending the Stratford stage annually. She wasn't one to mince words, but you always knew where you stood - and she made you laugh while telling it like it is.

She had a passion for travel in her younger days and a life long love affair with fine materials - whether sewing up a storm or quilting a masterpiece of words, she stitched joy into every project.

Friends are invited to a Celebration of Life in Orangeville on July 6th at the Museum of Dufferin Historic Corbetton Church from 1-4 pm. Address: 936029 Airport Road, Mulmur, Ontario

In lieu of flowers, donations in Shelagh's memory to the Orangeville Food Bank would be a fitting encore.




DIANNE DARLENE TEETER NEE FUDGE

NOVEMBER 20, 1945 - JUNE 5, 2025



It is with great sadness that the family of Dianne Darlene Teeter announces her passing on Thursday, June 5, 2025. Beloved wife of Wayne Teeter, dear mother of Brad and his wife Joanne as well as daughter Kim. Cherished grandmother of Drew Roper.

Predeceased by her brother, David, Fudge, and parents Gordon and Eileen, Fudge.

Dianne will be greatly missed by other relatives and friends.


As per her wishes, Dianne chose to be cremated and laid to rest with her husband Wayne Teeter at the Erin United Cemetery and forego the traditional funeral service.

We invite you to celebrate her life in your chosen way privately with your families and friends. We appreciate your understanding and support during this difficult time to honour my mother's wishes, I know she will be present with us in spirit.

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 If just for a few more years.*

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CELEBRATION OF LIFE for Eric George Bryant

A celebration of life for Eric George Bryant will be held on Saturday, June 21st, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Museum Room at the Shelburne Legion, 203 William Street, Shelburne.

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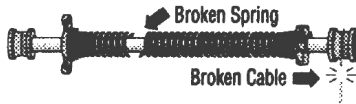
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Student Athlete of the Week

Olivia D’ambrosio leads Wolfpack to ROPSAA Semifinals prior to donning the Gold, Red, and Blue at Queen’s University

BY JIM STEWART

Student Athlete Olivia D’ambrosio is nearing the completion of her high school career. The star rugby player at Robert F. Hall Catholic Secondary School led the Wolfpack to the ROPSAA semifinals where the East Caledon squad suffered a “heartbreaking defeat.” As that chapter of her life closed, a bolder adventure began when D’Ambrosio accepted an offer to study Nursing at Queen’s University where she will also compete for the Golden Gaels’ CIS rugby squad. D’ambrosio was filled with gratitude to those who steered her athletic transition from a competitive gymnast to an avid rugby player. “I got into rugby after spending over 10 years as a competitive gymnast – I never expected to fall in love with a team sport. Thanks to all my amazing coaches and teammates, I was inspired to play club rugby. A special thank you to Mr. Paolucci, Mrs. Harrison, the rest of the coaching staff, and especially Priscilla for pushing me to tryout in Grade 10. One of my favourite parts of rugby is seeing the new players fall in love with the sport on the pitch.” The Grade 12 Honor Roll student’s final year at Hall has been filled with success and her impact on the rugby team and the broader community was described by Wolfpack Coach Victoria Galati: “Olivia displays exceptional leadership on the team. She inspires her teammates through both her actions and her words. She often mentors new players and consistently motivates and encourages them. Olivia is an extremely hard-working student. She actively takes initiative in her classes when completing tasks and pursuing goals. She is responsible and effortlessly balances her academics and athletic commitments. The leadership she displays on the pitch is also evident in her academic endeavors.” What impresses Coach Galati the most is D’ambrosio’s “resilience and determination. She continually displays unwavering mental toughness when responding to challenging situations or setbacks. Rugby is a very physically and mentally demanding sport. Olivia was always eager and ready to play, even after very taxing moments in games.”

D’ambrosio’s key performance moment this season, according to Coach Galati, occurred after a crushing playoff loss. “After the semi-finals and a heart-breaking loss, Olivia conducted herself with the upmost honor and integrity. She uplifted many of her teammates and reminded them of their success in the season. She expressed her pride in the new players and that the highlight of the season for her was helping them grow and learn the sport.” Olivia D’ambrosio took time from her end-of-semester studies and practices with the North Halton Highlanders U18 teams to answer our interview questions: **Caledon Citizen:** What qualities did you demonstrate in your sports season to earn Student-Athlete of the week honours? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “This season, I demonstrated leadership by helping new players both on and off the pitch and keeping my team player who communicated well and constantly focused on staying positive during gameplay.”

Caledon Citizen: What were your key statistics and performance moments from the 2024-25 season that you are most proud of? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “I’m proud of scoring two tries and consistently gaining possession of the ball throughout the season. I started and played in every game, contributing both defensively and offensively for my team.” **Caledon Citizen:** In addition to your high school sports teams, what other community teams do you play for and at what level? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “I play for North Halton Highlanders U18 teams in both 7’s and 15’s rugby. I was also selected to be part of the Ontario Blues Developmental Program, where I trained with elite coaches and athletes.”

Caledon Citizen: How would you describe yourself as a student at Robert F Hall? To which sports teams and clubs do you belong to? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “I’m a committed student with an overall 90% average. I am part of the Sports SHSM program, a leader of the Girls



OLIVIA D’AMBROSIO

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Empowerment Movement (GEM) and played for the flag football team for the first time in grade 12. I’ve also managed the junior and senior boys football team and been a Pack Leader, a program that helps Grade 8 transitions to Grade 9. I’ve also been active in my school’s leadership program.” **Caledon Citizen:** What are your post-secondary plans regarding prospective academic/athletic destinations? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “I’ve accepted an offer to study nursing at Queens University through their direct-entry program. I plan to continue playing rugby at the university level and stay involved in competitive gymnastics coaching alongside my academic journey.”

Caledon Citizen: Who is your role model in terms of the person you most admire the most? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “My mom is my role model – she’s taught me to always stay open-minded, give my best and never give up. Her persistence and strength has shaped the way I approach sports and life in general.” **Caledon Citizen:** How do you feel about being nominated as the Caledon Citizen’s Student-Athlete of the Week? **Olivia D’ambrosio:** “I feel very grateful to be selected and honored that my coaches nominated me. It means a lot to know they believe in me and I truly respect and look up to them for all their support and guidance.”



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