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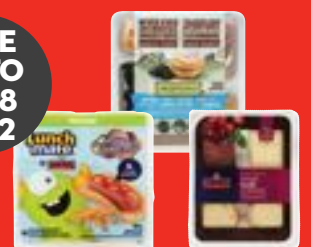
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COMBATTING CRIME — Brampton North-Caledon MP Ruby Sahota was sworn in as Canada’s Secretary of State for Combatting Crime on Tuesday, May 13. Sahota, who has served in the House of Commons since 2015, was re-elected on April 28, this time in a new riding configruation that includes a portion of Caledon. Sahota was appointed to this new position by Prime Minister Mark Carney, who is pictured here at Tuesday’s Cabinet Swearing-In Ceremony at Rideau Hall, which was presided over by Governor General Mary Simon. For more, see Page 15.

PHOTO COURTESY OF RUBY SAHOTA

CCS gears up for Velocity Ride and \$70K fundraising goal

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Caledon Community Services (CCS) held their 2025 Velocity Kick-Off Party this past weekend to gather riders, team captains, and fellow neighbours to get pumped for the big ride on June 14.

The event was at Four Corners Bakery Eatery, one of their sponsors. It featured long-time riders, CCS team members, and other

longtime sponsors such as Michael Maloney and Isolde Boettger from Silcotech.

Boettger shared that she was present for the first-ever Velocity ride in 2018 and considered how the event has evolved since then.

“Look how it’s growing now,” said Boettger as she looked at the people gathered around, wearing Velocity shirts ranging from present day to the very first ride. “This is the really wonderful story about it.”

Another attendee who knows Velocity’s

growth very well is past CCS Board Chair Ian Armstrong, who was instrumental in creating Velocity.

Armstrong first became associated with CCS when his mother had Alzheimer’s and came to live with him.

For her to remain active, Armstrong said they used the CCS biking program to allow her to get around, and it was then that he decided to join the Board.

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CCS members and riders gather for a group photo at the Kick-off party.

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Caledon East residents receive update on Airport Road project at Ward 3 traffic meeting

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

The Town of Caledon is holding five spring traffic meetings between May and June with the Region of Peel and Ontario Provincial Police.

The first was held last week at the Caledon Community East Community Complex. This meeting focused specifically on Ward 3.

The meeting began with a presentation from Gurpreet Walia, Caledon’s Acting Manager of Transportation Engineering, joined by Joe Avsec, Strategist/Senior Manager of Transportation Operations and Maintenance at the Region of Peel.

After the presentation, those attending were encouraged to walk around and speak with representatives in an open floor concept.

The open floor concept allows residents to speak individually with representatives re-

garding their concerns and questions. The presentation centred on topics such as feedback they received last year, recent town safety improvements, and current initiatives. Regional initiatives currently underway include: a gap study along Airport Road to investigate feasibility of “force cycles” at Intersection Pedestrian Signal (IPS) on Airport Road at Caledon Trailway, origin-destination studies as part of feasibility analysis for piloted truck restrictions in Caledon hamlets/villages, and a truck route study for Caledon in conjunction with Town of Caledon.

A key message at the meeting related to the Airport Road Improvement Project. This project features upcoming roadway milling and paving plans, cycling facilities, pedestrian crossings, dedicated turn lanes, and roundabouts in Phase Two.

In this project, they are not widening the roadway, driveway paving on private property, or closing access to businesses or resi-



PHOTO BY RILEY MURPHY

dents. Phase One of this plan is from north of Cranston Drive to Huntsmill Drive, and Phase 2 is from King Street to Cranston Drive.

Residents can expect to see Phase One in late summer/early fall 2025 to late 2026/early 2027.

Phase Two begins in 2028 and lasts until 2029. Joe Avsec spoke on the impact of the Airport Road Improvement project.

“The Airport Road construction project is going to be transformative for Caledon East. There’s a lot of good things coming out of it, a lot of things that are going to affect traffic like the roundabouts coming into town. We think that’s going to be a really nice change and we’re hoping it’s going to have big impacts,” said Avsec.

Avsec stated they’re actively working on safety initiatives in the town and the regional field.

These includes automated enforcement, traffic calming, and what they could do about truck traffic.

“We’re looking at all these different types of initiatives but we want to find the right tool for the right problem and...what we’re working on is trying to figure out what the best tool is to alleviate some of the safety concerns,” said Avsec.

Regarding resident concerns, Avsec said they are sure to look at every concern, whether they can address it from an engineering standpoint or if it’s an enforcement problem, and they will often talk to their partners at OPP.

Commissioner D’Amico of Engineering, Public Works and Transportation was at the meeting as well and spoke about what residents can expect from the following meetings.

Although each meeting will generally follow the same format, much of the content will cater to the traffic issues apparent in the different areas where each event is held.

D’Amico said she is aware that for Caledon East the Airport Road project is most likely the most pressing element and what it means for the community.

Those who attended the meeting also had the option of indicating on a map with a sticker their location of traffic safety concerns, as well as leave a comment card regarding any further concerns.

The subsequent meetings will be: May 15, 6-8 p.m., at the Margaret Dunn Valleywood Library, Community Room; June 4, 6-8 p.m., at the Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness; and June 11, 6-8 p.m., at Alton Le-



JUNOR SPEAKS TO GRADUATES – Caledon’s Kevin Junor (right), the Global Diaspora Council and Sector Lead on the Citizen Security on the Jamaica Diaspora Council, met with newly-minted officers during their ceremony recently. He said he was blessed and honoured to attend the graduation ceremony of new Correctional Officers starting their career in service to Jamaica. In the exchange, Captain Junor extended the military practice of presenting a special coin to high achievers. Carl Rattray Staff College’s principal Lygia Martin also encouraged the 85th intake to maintain their integrity as they as they enter the real world of corrections. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTO**

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BY SAM ODROWSKI

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The prize package includes a pair of tickets to a Toronto Blue Jays game, two golf passes at Hockley Valley Resort, and other items for you to enjoy.

Running now until June 3, we’re encouraging our readers to submit their

favourite photograph of them with their dad and a couple of sentences on why it’s special. Names must be included for the submission to be valid and only one submission can be made per person.

The winner of the contest must consent to the Caledon Citizen publishing their entry photo and an additional photo of them and their father picking up the prize package at the Citizen’s office. These photos will be published in the June 12 edition of the Caledon Citizen.

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TOWN OF CALEDON IMAGE

Caledon and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation to hold historic Council-to-Council Meeting

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

This week, the Town of Caledon and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation will meet for a council-to-council discussion at the Council House in Hagersville.

At the meeting will be Mayor Annette Groves and members of Council, Town of Caledon,

as well as Ogimaa-Kwe (Chief) Claire Sault and members of Council, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

The meeting will feature a presentation on Friendship from Mayor Groves and a session on Treaty Education led by Elder and Historian Darin Wybenga.

Mayor Groves, in a statement to the Citizen, shared the importance of what the Council-to-Council meeting means to the Town of Caledon and herself.

“The Town is on an important path to reconciliation and working with our Indigenous partners is key to that,” said Mayor Groves. “We have an existing Memorandum of Understanding with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nations and in respect of that as well as the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action, local governments play an

important role in educating, celebrating and commemorating Indigenous histories, culture and traditions. As Mayor I feel a deep sense of responsibility to ensure we do this work in a meaningful way,” said Mayor Groves.

In October 2022, the Town of Caledon and Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

The signing of the MOU was a significant step in strengthening their relationship.

Mayor Groves shared that Council will benefit from being in community with their Treaty partners in their historic Council House, and hopes it underscores their shared commitments to stewardship.

“I want residents to know that we respect and honour Indigenous history, and we are committed to providing opportunities for residents to experience Indigenous culture and traditions. I invite our communities to attend Caledon Day June 14 [at] 6:00pm where it will be my honour to renew our Wampum Belt with Chief Claire Sault in ceremony,” said Mayor Groves.

For more information residents can view the Town of Caledon’s webpage, www.caledon.ca/en/living-here/indigenous-relations-a-path-to-reconciliation.aspx.

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From Flashlights to Flood Plans: Caledon Fire urges proactive safety during Emergency Preparedness Week



Deputy Fire Chief Jeff Fairbarn with 72-hour preparedness kits.

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BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Caledon Fire urged Town residents to be aware and prepared at their open house for Emergency Preparedness Week.

May 4 to 10 is Emergency Preparedness Week in Ontario, and Caledon Fire and Emergency Services held an open house at Fire Station 302 last week to mark the occasion and to promote safe habits to residents.

At the open house were representatives from Caledon Fire, EMS and OPP.

Jeff Fairbarn, Deputy Fire Chief, spoke to all available at the open house.

“We’re trying to pair up with all the different agencies that provide different levels of service to our residents. They’re getting an opportunity to go and get information pertaining to the different agencies,” said Fairbarn.

One area highlighted at the open house was a 72-hour preparedness kit.

The kit contains items such as lighting, packed food, and a radio.

Educational material was also available regarding how to better prepare oneself for power outages, flooding, and other emergencies.

“It more or less comes down to just providing an awareness to residents so that we can be proactive versus reactive,” said Fairbarn.

Fairbarn said that it’s essential for residents to be in a ready state when navigating weather-related events.

He noted everyone should know where their escape exits are, what numbers to call, and where things are that you should have readily available, like flashlights.

“Awareness is number one and then preparedness,” said Fairbarn. “Awareness, understanding that weather can come in really quickly, whether it be flooding or thunderstorms, severe thunderstorms, tornadoes, understanding the impacts that they can have and then being prepared within your home and as a family.”

Fairburn urges residents to follow the main lines of communication that will alert them to emergencies.

Residents can follow the Town of Caledon on X, Facebook, and Instagram for emergency updates.

For those looking to learn more about emergency preparedness, visit getprepared.gc.ca.

CANADA ROAD SAFETY WEEK

Members of the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) will once again participate in this year’s Canada Road Safety Campaign.

“Canada Road Safety Week (May 13-19, 2025) aims to increase compliance with safe driving measures in order to save lives,” say Police. “Its focus is on behaviours that put drivers, passengers, pedestrians and other vulnerable road users at risk, including the “big four” contributing factors for injury and death on our roads: impaired driving, distracted driving, speed or aggressive driving and lack of seatbelt use.

“Of the 344 fatal collisions reported last year, excessive speed contributed to 95 deaths, while driver inattention was a factor in 80 fatalities. Alcohol and/or drug impairment was linked to 53 of the deaths. The notion held by some that seatbelt use is simply a “personal choice” had tragic consequences-60 unbuckled drivers and passengers lost their lives as a result.”

SLOW VEHICLES DURING PLANTING SEASON

As planting season kicks into full gear across the area this spring, the Dufferin Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) reminds motorists that agricultural equipment will once again be on the move.

“Drivers are urged to share the road and exercise extra caution around slow-moving vehicles and farm equipment,” say Police. “A little patience can go a long way in ensuring that everyone reaches their destination safely.

“Motorists should reduce speeds and stay alert when traveling near farm vehicles and equipment. Every year, Dufferin OPP responds to incidents involving farm vehicles struck by inattentive or impatient drivers. These collisions often result in serious injury or even death and all of these accidents are preventable.

“Farm equipment, such as tractors, tillage equipment and seed drills they tow, are large and require considerable space to safely maneuver on the road. The work local farmers do is vital to all of us, and public safety is always a top priority for the Dufferin OPP.”

To ensure safe travels during this busy time, here are a few tips for motorists:

If traveling through areas where crops are being planted, expect to see large agricultural equipment and adjust your driving accordingly;

Slow down and be patient when approaching farm equipment and only pass when it is safe to do so;

Avoid tailgating farm vehicles, as the operator may not see you;

Refrain from honking at farm equipment operators, as they may not hear you due to the noise from their machinery.

Please be considerate of farmers during this busy planting season and give them the space they need to work safely. The Dufferin OPP appreciates the hard work of our local farmers, especially at this time of year, and encourages all drivers to help ensure a safe environment for everyone on the road.

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CLUES ACROSS

29. A way to get possession of

30. Everyone has one (abbr.)

31. Body art

32. Mr. October

39. Abba __, Israeli politician

41. Head movement

42. Jeweled headdress

43. VCR button

44. A way to change color

45. Basketball move

46. Upright stone slab

48. Forest-dwelling monkey

49. Pulsate steadily

50. Negative

51. Sino-Soviet bloc (abbr.)

52. Unit of work

CLUES DOWN

1. Island

2. Pittsburgh ballplayer

3. Chemical compound

4. Indicates density of data (abbr.)

5. Mesas

6. Wild, long-legged sheep

8. Engine additive

9. “CSI” actor George

11. Stony waste matter

14. Thyroid-stimulating hormone

15. Pores in a leaf’s epidermis

18. Digraph

19. Married woman

20. Peripheral

22. Northern Italy city

23. Klutz

24. Type of tree

27. Witnessed

28. Popular breakfast food

29. __ Mahal

31. BoSox legend

Williams

32. Professional drivers

33. Atom or molecule type

34. The Constitution

State

35. Chest to store clothes (Scottish)

36. Type of solution

37. Speaker

38. Specifying

39. Formerly (archaic)

40. Wiseman and Krom are two

44. The bill in a restaurant

47. Tennis shot

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Grandmother requests community’s help finding missing granddaughter



Jillianne Dixon, 15, has been missing since April 28 and police are concerned for her safety. She is described as five feet, six inches tall with medium-length red hair and brown eyes. She is from the Flesherton area but has ties to Brampton and her family believes she’s in Southern Ontario or the GTA.

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Jillianne, 15, reported missing on April 28, family suspects she’s in Brampton, GTA or Southern Ontario

BY SAM ODROWSKI

An Orangeville grandmother is encouraging the public to keep an eye out for her 15-year-old granddaughter who’s been missing since April 28.

Jillianne Dixon, 15, who’s from the Flesherton area, was last seen around 8 p.m. on April 28 in the upper east side of Owen Sound. She was reported missing in the early hours of the following day.

Her grandmother, Jill Dixon, said she was at a facility to receive help for mental health at the time she disappeared.

Owen Sound Police say they are concerned for her well-being.

Jillianne is described as five feet, six inches tall with medium-length red hair and brown eyes.

Dixon asks that members of the public report any detail, no matter how small, to the Owen Sound Police if they feel it could help their investigation.

“We are just beside ourselves, trying to get the message

out there so somebody might have something to give us more of a lead,” said Dixon.

“We just really want her home.”

Dixon expressed concerns about the circumstances of her disappearance and fears she may have been targeted.

Sgt. Josh Gurney of the Owen Sound Police told the Citizen they’re unable to comment or release any further information on Jillianne’s disappearance to protect the integrity of their investigation.

“We understand how deeply concerned the community is and how important it is to bring Jillianne home safely,” said Sgt. Gurney. “At this stage in the investigation, we are not in a position to release any information beyond what has already been shared in our public statement.”

He added, “We recognize there are questions and speculation, but in order to protect the integrity of the investigation, we are unable to comment further on specific aspects of the case, including any individuals who may or may not be involved. We continue to encourage anyone with credible information, no matter how minor it may seem, to contact the Owen Sound Police Service or Crime Stoppers.

“Every piece of information matters.»

Anyone with information about Jillianne’s whereabouts can call the Owen Sound Police Service at (519) 376 1234. Information can also be provided to Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or www.crimestoppersdm.com.

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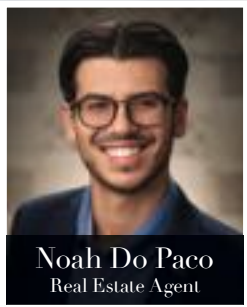
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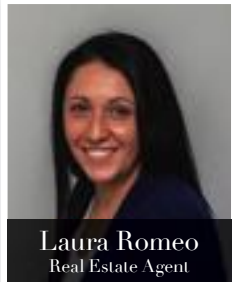
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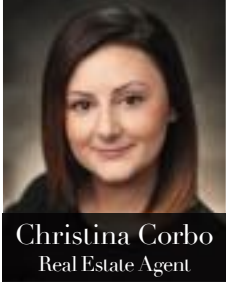
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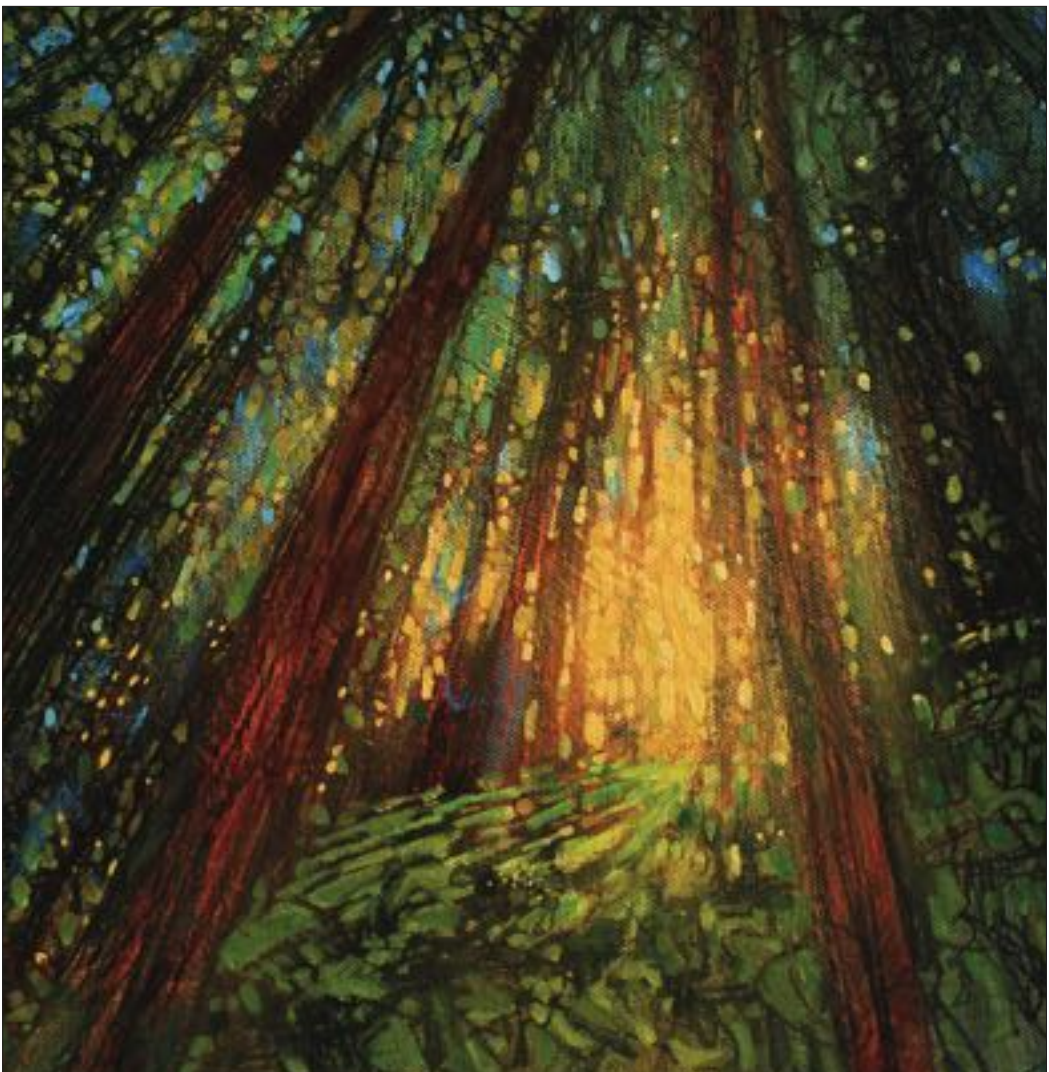
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(Above Left) Darlene Hostrawser is pictured weaving her entry for Tapestry of Art and Music. (Above Right) This piece by Paul Morin will be raffled off at the event.

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“A Mosaic of Culture”, Headwaters Arts Hosts Annual Art and Music Show

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

Headwaters Arts is set to present the third-annual musically themed art show and sale fundraising event, “Tapestry of Art and Music”.

This year’s theme is Wonder and Whimsy.

Headwaters Arts is a local not-for-profit artist group whose mission is to bring together artists and supporters to promote the development, appreciation, and enjoyment of all arts in the Hills of Headwaters Region.

The event will take place Sunday, May 25, from 2 – 5 p.m. at the Alton Mill Arts Centre in Caledon.

Join the Headwaters Arts team under the roof of the Annex this year, where attendees can view 90-plus canvases from local artists.

The canvases are 6 x 6, and include all mediums such as photography, textiles, and acrylic.

“When you put all of those canvases together in one small area, I feel like it creates a mosaic of the culture in which we live, this community, the Headwaters community, our personal lives,” says Nancy Kluger, Chair of the Events Committee for Headwaters Arts.

Kluger shared that this is an opportunity for artists to not only express how they feel about their love of art, but primarily how art and music come together.

While viewing the art, onlookers can enjoy music from the Oakville Choir for Children and Youth.

Kluger shared her thoughts on incorporating young voices into this year’s music.

“We need young artists, we need young everything, so I spoke to the Oakville Choir

for Children and Youth,” said Kluger. “It’s just so organic and I just kind of think about the art and the feelings coming from the artist and the power of the voice. To be outside and to hear those voices and see that art, it just really stirs me.”

After the concert, there will be a reception where all the art will be available for sale.

The money goes back to creating more events like this for Headwaters Arts.

“We’re not-for-profit, and the money we raise, we put back into implementing shows for our member artists to give them a platform to show their art,” said Kluger.

One thing particularly special about this year’s event is a draw where ticket holders can win an original work by a well-known local/international artist Paul Morin.

Paul Morin is a Canadian artist, photographer, musician and children’s book illustrator.

For every \$20 donation to Headwaters Arts, and every piece of art purchased, the person receives a draw ticket.

At the end of the event, they will draw the winner.

Another new addition this year is the “Young Artist Category” featured at the event.

Kluger said that they reached out to high schools in the area and have around 18 young artists participating this year.

She shared that she hopes attending the event will encourage people to explore their creative streak.

“All of us have a little bit of creativity in us and this is an opportunity for singers and artists to come and show their skills.”

Although the deadline for artistic submissions has closed, Kluger urges those still interested to contact Headwaters Arts.

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An example of a Village Heritage Plaque shared during the Heritage Caledon Committee Meeting. PHOTO COURTESY OF HERITAGE CALEDON

Heritage Caledon looks to revive Village Heritage Plaque program

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

If you’ve ever walked around the villages of Caledon East, Bolton, Alton, Inglewood, Belfountain and Palgrave, you may have noticed the Village Heritage Plaques sprinkled throughout.

These plaques are hand-painted and provide information about the use, date of construction and ownership of buildings in the area.

The Village Heritage Plaque program was a local history awareness and outreach initiative of Heritage Caledon, the Town’s Heritage Advisory Committee, which ran from 2002 to 2009.

Sally Drummond, Senior Planner - Heritage for the Town of Caledon, told the Citizen more than 40 plaques were installed.

“In collaboration with local historical societies and village associations, it resulted in the installation of over 40 plaques in communities across the Town, recognizing buildings of significant local historical interest.

The committee felt that hand painting the plaques created an important personal touch,” said Drummond.

The initiative was brought forward once again during the recent Heritage Caledon Committee meeting.

There was discussion surrounding the potential formation of a subcommittee to look into this initiative, potential replacements of these heritage signs, and what materials may have a longer lifespan, if introduced.

When asked why there is a need to revitalize the program, Drummond told the Citizen it was due to the current decline of the signs still up.

“The hand-painted wood plaques...are showing signs of deterioration and therefore are being considered for maintenance or update,” said Drummond.

Moving forward, the signage subcommittee will investigate options for consideration by the Heritage Caledon committee.

Renewal of the program will require Heritage Caledon to seek approval and additional project funding from Council.

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- Be born in Caledon or;
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- Was raised or spent their formative years in Caledon.

Deadline for nominations is Monday, June 30, 2025.

To nominate someone today, visit [Caledon.ca/CSHOF](https://caledon.ca/CSHOF).

Tree Preservation Bylaw Open House

The Town of Caledon is developing a Tree Preservation Bylaw to protect and enhance the community's urban tree canopy. This initiative is part of Caledon's 2023–2035 Strategic Plan, reflecting our commitment to safeguard the natural environment and promote biodiversity.

Open House Details:

Date: Tuesday, June 4, 2025

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Location: Town Hall

This bylaw aims to regulate the removal of individual trees on private properties, ensuring that trees continue to provide valuable benefits such as improving air quality, supporting wildlife habitats, and enhancing community health.

We invite residents to attend the open house to learn more about the proposed bylaw, ask questions, and provide feedback. Town staff will be available to discuss the draft bylaw and its implications.

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Caledon Community Services gears up for Velocity Ride and \$70K fundraising goal



Anne Marie and Ian Hayes are pictured here (second and third from left) with participants at a past Velocity Ride.

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Continued from FRONT

Armstrong came up with the idea for the cycling event and co-founded it with Wayne Noble, and it’s been running ever since then.

“It’s nice to see that we’ve been able to do something that will help our community and continue to help our community in the future,” said Armstrong.

This year marks Councillor Christina Early’s seventh year on the Board for CCS, where she currently serves as Board Chair.

She shared what it means to her to be a part of it.

“I can’t tell you how grateful I am that I’ve been part of this incredible organization that does so much for so many in need,” she shared. “It’s an exciting day to kick off Velocity, and really what it does is provide vital services for our senior citizens. Many people don’t realize some of

the services that we promote, inclusive of transportation, and we look forward to this event growing year over year, and really I’m appreciative to all the riders that support.”

Vice chair on the Board for CCS and co-captain of Ted’s Terra Cotta Trail Blazers, Anne Marie Hayes, shared some of the many reasons she is looking forward to riding on June 14.

Her co-captain, Ted Webb, who is 92 years young, inspires Anne Marie and many in Terra Cotta to ride.

“We are a team of neighbors and friends who have celebrated the pains and joys of this beautiful life together, and we ride together to raise money for Caledon Community Services to keep seniors aging with dignity and grace at home,” said Hayes.

She shared that her husband, Ian Hayes, rode with Velocity in its first year, and she joined the year after.

They had ridden the event together since

then; Hayes said that they both worked in home health care for many years and dedicated their careers to helping seniors.

Hayes sadly lost her husband unexpectedly more than a year ago.

“This is my second time riding without him,” said Hayes. “So, myself and the team we’re dedicating our ride to him and CCS has actually named the 25-kilometer route in his memory this year.”

To add one more reason to her list, Hayes dedicates her birthday to the 2025 Velocity ride.

“I’ve asked all my friends and family instead of getting me a birthday present to please contribute to the ride and the fundraising efforts,” shared Hayes. “We’re about halfway there for our fundraising goal and we’re confident we can pull it in.”

CCS Volunteer Summer Gibson has been there for three years. She originally joined CCS because of the organization’s

deep roots in the community.

“It’s just such a warm place, and to be in the community of Caledon and to be able to give back you get to meet a lot of people from all different walks of life,” said Gibson.

Another member of the team, Mariia Kupriianova, Chief Development Officer for CCS, shared one of the many reasons it’s so important to have events like Velocity.

“One of our clients that I had the privilege to meet, a local resident, she’s 94. She relies on Caledon Community Services transportation now that she’s living in a senior residence. She wants to stay independent. This is what our Velocity ride is all about. It’s helping our seniors stay connected, stay independent, stay active in the community that we all love, that we all call home,” said Kupriianova.

Geraldine Aguiar, CEO of CCS, spoke to Caledon’s growing number of seniors, showcasing why these services are vital.

She shared that the population in Caledon is 35 per cent adults over the age of 65, and by 2031, that number is expected to rise by 10,000 people.

“More and more seniors in our community feel like they have to leave, like they have no options. Caledon Community Services is seeking to ensure that older adults can age in place,” said Aguiar.

“It’s important for me, as I look forward into the future, that we all have those services that we need,” shared Aguiar. “Championing that today is like an investment for the future. That’s what makes me so proud about this organization and about the community. We can achieve amazing things we’ve just got to come together. Now’s the time.”

The Velocity ride will take place at Caledon East Park and feature route options of 10km, 25km, 50 km, and 100 km.

Velocity’s goal this year is to raise \$70,000 to benefit transportation services and health and wellness programs to enhance the independence and quality of life for Caledon Seniors.

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New Provincial measures aimed at accelerating home construction

BY BROCK WEIR

New legislation will be introduced in the Ontario Legislature to speed up home construction across the Province, the government announced Monday.

On May 12 in Vaughan, the Province announced new measures to “help speed up the construction of new homes and infrastructure.”

The Province stated that these measures were developed in consultation with municipalities, changes include a simplified system for development charges (fees paid to municipalities by developers to ensure infrastructure keeps pace with growth) and realizing transit-oriented communities, as well as financial boosts to programs like the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Fund.

Once passed, the Province says the legislation will: “spur new construction by simplifying and standardizing development charges based on measures that were developed in consultation with municipalities, including measures that some municipalities have already implemented. Ontario will work with municipalities to continue simplifying, streamlining, and reducing costly local development fees that can add hundreds of thousands of dollars to the cost of new homes.”

It will also: “Remove barriers for Canadian manufacturers who want to introduce innovative materials, systems and building designs that could reduce construction costs and expedite projects; streamline and improve planning and delivery for transit-oriented communities, creating more jobs and housing options near transit; reduce costs and speed up project approvals with consistent building construction standards across Ontario municipalities; significantly speed up getting shovels in the ground to build major transit projects by extending measures in the Building Transit Faster Act, 2020 to all provincial transit projects; [and] simplify, streamline and bring consistency to development applications, land use planning approvals, and contents of municipal official plans.”

“These changes would make it easier and faster to build residential, commercial and industrial buildings within and across Ontario’s municipalities,” said the Province in Monday’s announcement. “Ontario’s road building standards can differ across the Province’s 444 municipalities, causing unnecessary cost and delays. The Province will consult with municipalities and stakeholders by fall 2025 on framework legislation for greater harmonization and clarified governance of municipal standards, which will lead to cost savings through more efficient design and technical review, greater construction efficiencies, and streamlined procurement processes.”

Area municipal leaders were largely supportive of the measures.

“I applaud Premier Ford, Minister Flack, and the Government of Ontario for taking bold and creative action to address the housing crisis,” said Vaughan Mayor Steven Del Duca. “The status quo simply isn’t working, and families across Ontario — including mine — deserve to see real change. I want my kids to have the opportunity to own a home in the city where they grew up. In Vaughan, we’re doing our part by reducing development charges by 50 per cent and using every tool available to get more homes built, faster. I welcome the province’s leadership in cutting red tape, standardizing approvals, and building a more efficient, affordable future for all Ontarians.”

Added Mississauga Mayor Carolyn Parrish: “I’m grateful for the province’s leadership in introducing these much-needed measures to address the housing crisis. Municipalities cannot tackle this challenge alone -- we need support like this to cut red tape, streamline approvals, and create the conditions for faster, more affordable housing development. Mississauga’s Housing Task Force has demonstrated that bold reforms and innovative policies can drive real progress, and these provincial measures will encourage cities across Ontario to accelerate their own housing initiatives. This kind of collaboration across all levels of government is critical to meeting the urgent housing needs of our residents and building a more sustainable future for residents all over Ontario.”



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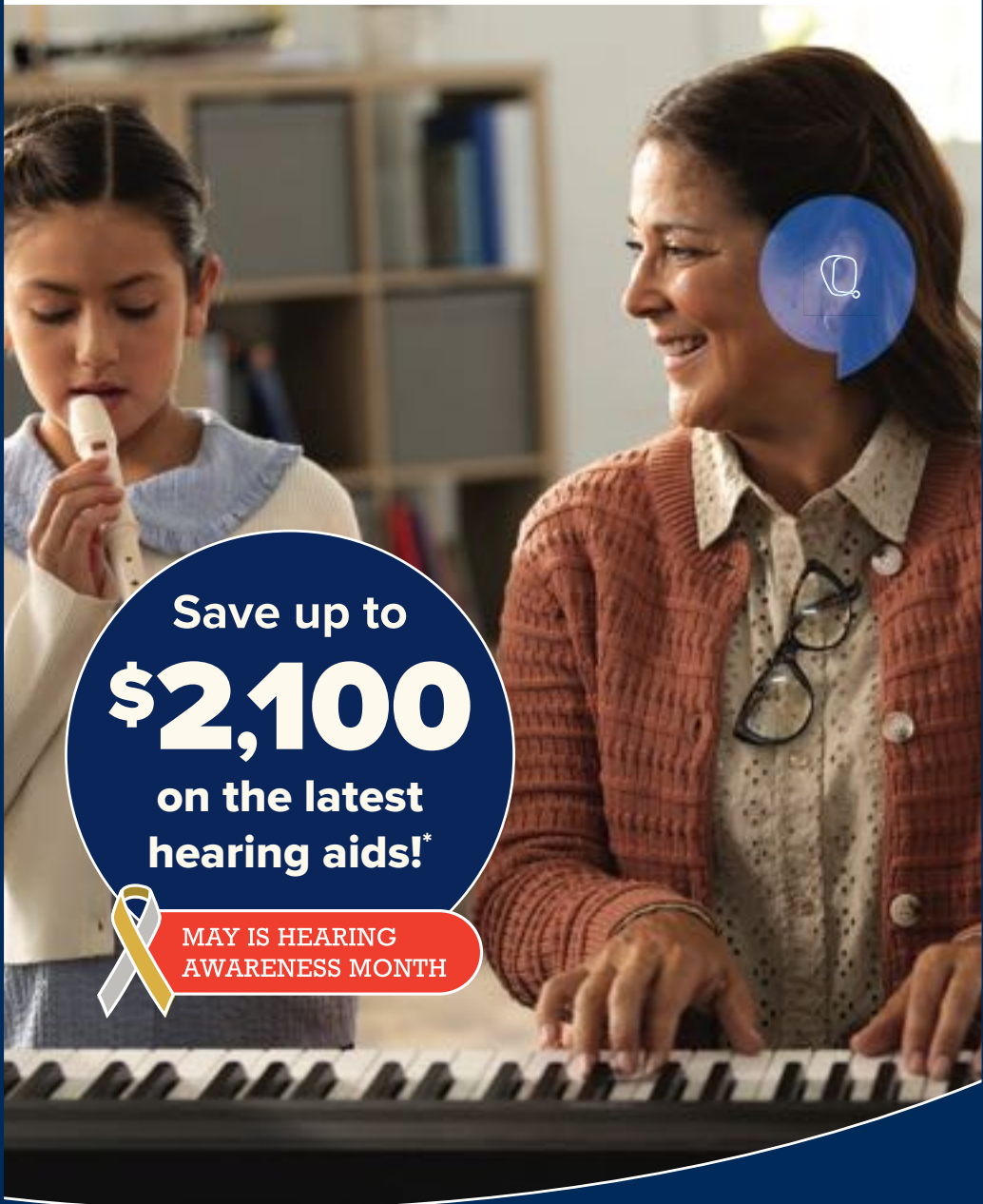
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Economic journeys and friend-finding missions

Not to brag or anything, but I’ve tried my best to buy and support local before it was cool.

Let me have it, as there are so few instances where I’ve been on the cutting edge of trendy. Heck, the last time I had anything similar to say on the subject of trend was back in 2010 or so when Betty White had an unexpected career resurgence.

As someone who remembers watching the last few seasons of the Golden Girls in primetime as a kid, a factoid that apparently makes me perilously close to being an elder statesman in the fan community, I was a “Betty Booster” before it was cool – only comparative few listened to me extol her virtues before she was back on a hot streak.

But, the value of buying and supporting local has always been apparent because, chances are, if you truly spend your money in the community, and in businesses whose owners also call the community home, your money will stay in said community in one way or another.

It’s a win-win and, as the saying goes, a rising tide floats all boats.

Buying and supporting local, of course, became “trendy” again at the height of the pandemic when so many of our businesses faced unprecedented challenges staying afloat. Every dollar spent suddenly felt like it had a much greater value and, in many instances, you could see the impact your dollar had not just within the bricks and mortar of the business in question, but in the wider area, whether it helped keep a neighbour employed or a local sports team sponsored.

Yet, every once in a while, supporting local is not quite possible, so you have to look further afield.

As an ardent collector of memorabilia related to a very specific area of our pop culture, I recently found a Bucket List item in the wild west that is eBay.

Given that it had been a good seven months since something in that online marketplace well and truly caught my eye, that the item was reasonably priced, and was being sold by an independent seller, I decided to treat myself with minimal guilt.

The item secured, I was eagerly waiting its arrival and smiled on Monday morning when I got a tracking notification that the item was now in Sydney!

“Okay, it’s crossed the border into Nova Scotia – it won’t be too long now!” I thought.

But, then I delved in a little deeper – for reasons known only to the United States Postal Service, my humble purchase was, instead, in Sydney, Australia!

Now, I’m not as versed as I should be with the ins and outs of international postage, but it seems to me that there are easier ways for all concerned to get from Point A to Point B without having to circumnavigate the globe, but here we are!

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Much focus has been placed today, and rightly so, on restoring as much as we can of our trade with the United States...as delineated under our most recent trade deal with the

States, signed under the President who likes to pretend he’s not spent the last few months railing against a deal he himself executed. It’s puzzled me though that Canada has looked little beyond Europe and parts of Asia as a way to shore up our economic power – at least on the surface.

Canada is the second most senior Commonwealth Realm – that is, one of the 15 Commonwealth nation that remains a constitutional monarchy with King Charles III as head of state – behind the United Kingdom and holds a key place among the 56-member “Commonwealth Family of Nations.”

“Recognizing that in an era of changing economic circumstances and uncertainty, new trade and economic patterns, unprecedented threats to peace and security, and a surge in popular demands for democracy, human rights, and broadened economic opportunities, the potential of and need for the Commonwealth – as a compelling force for good and as an effective network for cooperation and for promoting development – has never been greater,” reads the first tenet of the Commonwealth Charter, before it touches upon sustainable development.

“We are committed to an effective, equitable, rules-based multilateral trading system, the freest possible flow of multilateral trade on terms fair and equitable to all, while taking into account the special requirements of small states and developing countries. We also recognize the importance of information and communication technologies as powerful instruments of development; delivering savings, efficiencies, and growth in our economies, as well as promoting education, learning and the sharing of culture. We are committed to strengthening its use while enhancing its security, for the purpose of advancing our societies.”

It seems that, by and large, we, as Canadians, are very much on the same page as the Commonwealth philosophy, but it’s a shame that we don’t work harder to foster these ties – economic and cultural – for the greater good.

Plans have often been proposed for free movement among select Commonwealth nations, particularly the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, but that only goes so far; it also raises questions why proposals such as these almost invariably focus on the four Commonwealth nations that have the highest population of people with European heritage to the exclusion of the myriad member nations within Africa, the Caribbean, South Pacific and elsewhere, but that’s column fodder for another day!

Economic partnerships here seem to be a win all around, if only there was interest.

Perhaps, however, these tides are turning – even if it might simply be out of economic expediency.

Later this month, the King and Queen will be in Ottawa to formally open Parliament at the invitation of Prime Minister Carney. It’s entirely fitting, of course for our Head of State to personally read the first Throne Speech of his Canadian reign, and such an act certainly serves to underscore our Canadian sovereignty at a time where it’s under significant threat, but I can only hope that it signals a renewed interest on the part of this government in our constitutional institutions, what sets Canada apart, and who our international friends are.

A re-think on this front, in my opinion, is long-overdue.

And, hey, if it makes my vintage coffee mug’s journey out from the Land Down Under any easier – well, that’s just a bonus!



Looking back we enjoyed the best decades ever

by Mark Pavilons



Growing up today is much different than a generation ago.

We not only “survived” our childhoods, fraught with danger and stupidity – but thrived.

For me, a late “Boomer,” there are fewer days ahead than behind. Instead of regrets of what may be and a somewhat curtailed life, there’s been a lot of “what was” back in the day.

And boy were those days fun!

We’ve complicated life to an unbelievable degree, where schedules, timetables, Zoom calls and pay days are all encompassing. Grocery shopping, car insurance premiums and tariffs consume us today.

It wasn’t always this way, not by a long shot.

I was dragged into existence kicking and screaming back in 1963 – a great year for the Corvette, but not so great for JFK.

Experiencing the late ‘60s, along with the ‘70s and ‘80s, was a journey of discovery, fun, tailgates, drive-ins, Nerf football, and good, old-fashioned buffoonery.

As a pre-teen, the “bike gang” would gather on the street and head off, exploring, racing, living dangerously. Our bikes had banana seats and if we were lucky, one hand brake on long, curved handle bars. We never told our parents where we were going and had no idea when we’d return. Our stomachs – and the occasion booming mom voice announcing dinner – was our recall.

In Caledon, we rode without helmets down gravel roads. I remember plucking out stones embedded in my knees on several occasions. It was par for the course.

We’d return a little dirty and scuffed up sometimes, never really discussing our “war wounds.”

Kool-Aid was the drink of the day and our moms made gallons of the stuff.

We made balsa wood gliders that nose-dived to destruction soon after you spent your last dime. Youngsters all talked about sea monkeys, but few had the money to order them from the back of a comic book.

Hitting a tennis ball against the back of the house wall was the go-to boredom breaker.

We all tried to build a go-kart and often gathered all sorts of wood scraps, tree branches, bike wheels and the like. They never worked and looked like a mess, but we didn’t care.

In high school, we evolved – bell bottoms, jean jackets and running shoes were our official uniforms. For those males brave enough to stake their territories, shirts undone and rolled up sleeves were the norm.

The wealthy among us owned things like a

Walkman that magically played the hits of the day on things known as “cassettes.” You could easily spot these people because the unit was proudly worn on the hip.

Others would entertain the crowd on boom boxes of various sizes, also churning out the top 40 for all to hear. We’d have to take turns totting these things around due to their weight.

I wore aviator glasses – much too large for my face, but boy were they cool. Long hair was the norm, and if it covered one’s eyes, all the better.

We passed notes in class. I had a habit of writing limericks and handing them to friends to break the monotony. And yes, I got caught a few times.

I loved pinball and was quite proficient at the first video games like Space Invaders and Missile Strike. I recall the emergence of Atari and Commodore, and games like Pong and Pac Man.

We decorated our lockers inside and out.

Who went to the theatre on Tuesdays in 1985 to see Back to the Future, The Goonies, St. Elmo’s Fire and Cocoon?

And music – I firmly believe we Boomers witnessed the height of legendary rock bands. I recall vividly when songs like You Better, You Bet (The Who), Hold On Loosely (.38 Special), Tom Sawyer (Rush), Dirty Deeds Done Dirt Cheap (AC/DC), Jessie’s Girl (Rick Springfield) and Take it on the Run (REO Speedwagon) hit the charts. All of these were in 1981 alone! Year after year, bands were making history and we bought records, tons of them.

The record shop was a social hub where you could spend entire afternoons flipping through albums.

We looked up to our peers who smoked cigarettes – there was nothing cooler than having a small deck tucked into your t-shirt sleeve.

If the rotary phone or doorbell rang at home, we answered it.

Sure, a lot of those things were generational fads or transitions, but it was still neat being part of it all. And we saw it all – learning the metric system, using calculators, using the first fax machines and flip-phones and the arrival of the Internet and that annoying dial-up squeal.

We peeled the labels off of stubby beer bottles.

Those are things all who follow today will never know. Simple pleasures all.

They described more than a generation or lifestyle – they summed up a feeling and carefree way of life. They epitomized youth, friendship and fun.

I wish someone could put together a collage of all those things in a cohesive online video. I’d watch it over and over again.

Now that I’ve surpassed 60, my thoughts are a bit scrambled. I don’t really have any long-term goals or bucket list adventures in the works. Cancer has put all that in limbo.

But I do have the memories that marked a generation, something only a few remaining souls remember.

I am, like my fellow Boomers, the embodiment of a lost era, a historic period in our growth.

We may never be able to “put another dime in the jukebox, baby,” like Joan Jett advised. But we can still love rock and roll.

We should be thankful we got to live through one of the best times in recent history. That’s something we will take to our graves.

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MAYOR ANNETTE GROVES
MAYOR GROVES' COLUMN



Community Safety Grants

In this column, I’m excited to share some great news about grants I’ve been advocating for, which will directly benefit the safety of our Caledon community.

As our Town continues to grow, ensuring the safety and well-being of our residents is more important than ever, and this funding will go a long way toward making that happen. Together, as a Council, we’re dedicated to working with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) to keep Caledon a safe place for everyone. I’m deeply grateful to the Province for recognizing this need, and to MPP Sylvia Jones for her advocacy on our behalf.

“Our government is continuing to take action to keep Ontario families safe, especially in growing communities like Caledon,” said Sylvia Jones, MPP for Dufferin-Caledon. “By providing Caledon OPP with this important funding, we are enabling our world-class law enforcement to do what they do best – protect our community.”

A special thank you as well to the Town of Caledon’s finance team for their partnership with the OPP in helping to secure this important funding.

Keeping Caledon Safe

In response to rising concerns about public safety, the Town of Caledon and the OPP are taking proactive steps to enhance community security. We’re thrilled to announce the installation of a modern CCTV surveillance system in high-risk areas, thanks to an investment of over \$254,000 from the Ontario government.

This funding will help the Caledon OPP expand its video surveillance network, offering more advanced tools to prevent crime and keep our community safe.

The Ontario Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Grant Program will enable us to replace outdated equipment, improve existing technology, and install new cameras in areas most vulnerable to crimes like drug trafficking and human trafficking. This initiative reflects Caledon’s ongoing commitment to crime prevention, improved law enforcement, and creating a safer, more connected environment for all our residents and businesses.

Supporting Victims and Survivors of Crime

In addition, Caledon OPP will receive \$175,000 to expand services for victims of intimate partner violence, hate crimes, and gender-based violence. This funding will provide crucial support for victims of sexual assault and intimate partner violence, improving access to medical care, ensuring support is available in multiple languages, and offering essential items to victims in crisis. Local community partners will also receive training in trauma-informed care and cultural competency, helping ensure our community is better prepared to support survivors.

I am so pleased that Caledon will benefit from this funding, which will provide vital services for survivors and their families. It’s critical that support systems are in place to help individuals navigate through their traumatic experiences, and I am incredibly grateful to the Province for their ongoing advocacy on behalf of our community.

This funding allows service providers to offer comprehensive support, including legal aid, counseling, emergency assistance, and specialized equipment—helping victims rebuild their lives. With this investment, Caledon OPP demonstrates their unwavering commitment to justice and the well-being of our community, ensuring that survivors receive the care, protection, and resources they deserve.

This is wonderful news for Caledon, and I will continue to advocate for initiatives that help keep our community safe and supported.

PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment

FILE NUMBER: POPA 2025-0009 and RZ 2025-0008

A statutory Public Meeting will be held to consider a proposed Town-initiated Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment. 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: June 10, 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 planning@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/development for more information.

APPLICANT:

The Corporation of the Town of Caledon

LOCATION:

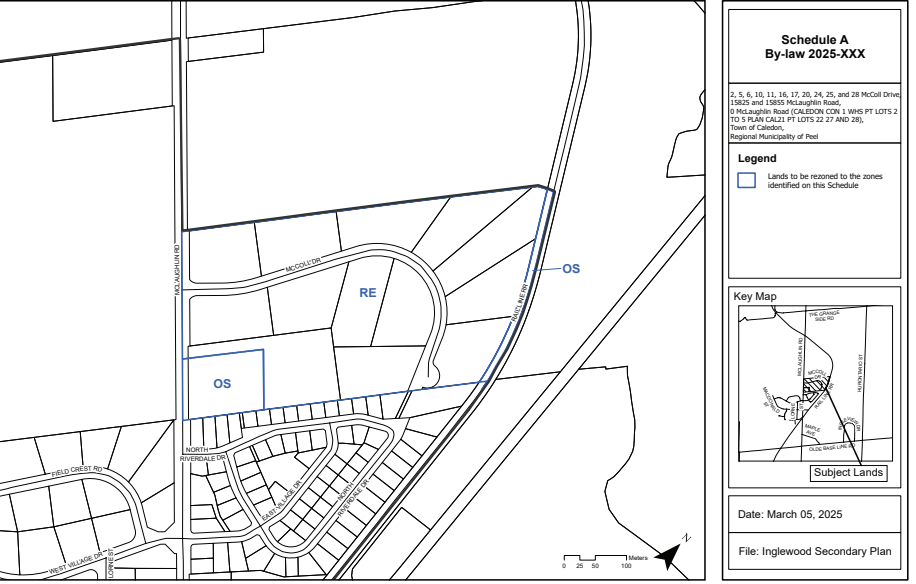
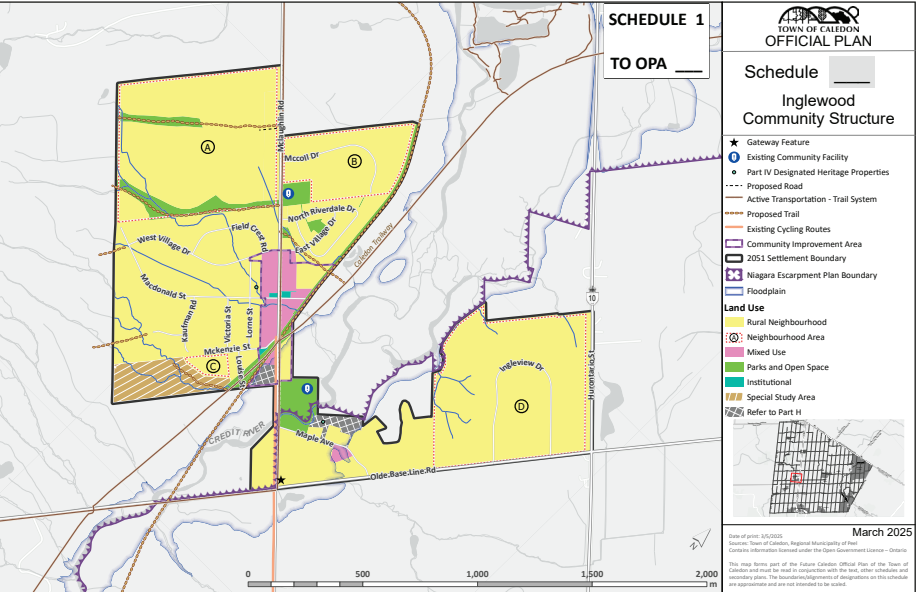
File # POPA 2025-0009 (Inglewood Secondary Plan): Inglewood Village and Area
File # RZ 2025-0008 (Zoning): 1, 2, 5, 6, 10, 11, 16, 17, 20, 24, 25 and 28 McColl Drive, plus 15825 and 15835 McLaughlin Road

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The proposed amendments are partially in response to Niagara Escarpment Commission Amendment UA 54, a minor rounding out of the Inglewood Settlement Boundary to include the 12 residential properties on McColl Drive and the property on McLaughlin Road containing the Inglewood Community Centre/Library and Bethell Hospice. The expanded Inglewood settlement area boundary is also identified in the Region of Peel Official Plan.

The proposed Official Plan Amendment is to remove the Inglewood Secondary Plan from the 1978 Caledon Official Plan, as amended, and amend the Future Caledon Official Plan to add a new Inglewood Secondary Plan. This is a minor update and translation of the existing Secondary Plan into the Future Caledon framework.

The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is to add appropriate zoning provisions for the expansion area lands (i.e., McColl Drive, the community centre/library and hospice) to Zoning By-law 2006-50 so that those lands may be removed from Niagara Escarpment Plan development control.



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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.

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 by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision.

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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:

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

Notice Date: May 15, 2025

NOTICE 2024/2025



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Join us Wednesday, June 25, 7:00 p.m.
Humber River Centre (28 Ann St, Bolton)

Hear the business of the Corporation:

- 1. Receive and consider the financial statements of the Corporation for the year ending March 31, 2025.
- 2. Elect the Board of Directors for 2025/2026.
- 3. Appoint auditors and authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration.
- 4. Approve the Corporation's amendments to its governance by-laws.
- 5. Transact other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Featuring Guest Speaker
Kevin Junor

Come and hear Captain (Ret'd) Kevin Junor, a 2025 King Charles III Coronation Medal Honoree 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, he 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.



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PUBLIC NOTICE



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Zoning By-law Amendment (Temporary Use)

FILE NUMBER: RZ 2024-0027

This is to inform you that the Town of Caledon has received an application for a Temporary Use 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 Zoning By-law Amendment application. Your input and insight will inform and shape plans that meet the needs of our community.

Meeting Date: June 10, 2025
Public Meeting Start Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers, 6311 Old Church Road, Caledon East

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

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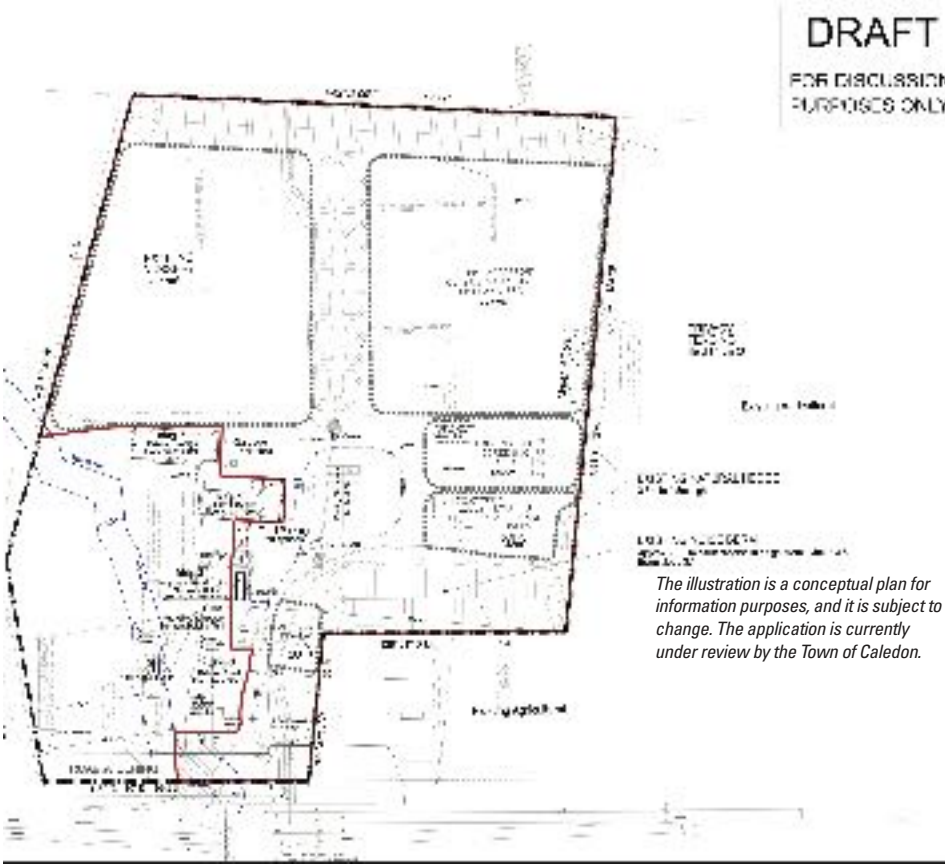
- Submitting written correspondence to agenda@caledon.ca and planning@caledon.ca. Please note that written comments will form part of the public record.
- Contacting the Lead Planner during office hours by phone or email (See contact information below).

Applicant:
Weston Consulting on behalf of Tarpa Construction Co. Ltd.

Location:
7904 Mayfield Road
Part of Lot 1, Concession 4 (Albion)
Northwest of Humber Station Road and Mayfield Road
Ward 5

PROPOSED CHANGES:

The purpose of the proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment is to permit the continued operation of an existing commercial nursery and garden supply center for a period of three (3) additional years.



LEAD PLANNER:

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Community Planner
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about this matter, including information about appeal rights, a copy of the proposed Temporary Use Zoning By-law Amendment, or a copy of supporting materials, please visit www.caledon.ca/notices or contact the Lead Planner from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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It's open season at your local gardening store!

Gardening has been called “one of the purest of human pleasures.”

According to the experts at Gardening for Dummies, “you really don’t have to be born with a green thumb to give life to a glorious garden.”

Obviously the authors of such inspiring words have never met someone like me. Green thumb? I think not. More likely my thumbs are various shades of blue and yellow – bruised from my feeble attempts at clearing the copious rocks that lurk just inches beneath the surface of our not-so-green grass. It’s not for lack of trying, I assure you. Gardening might be a balm for some people. For me, not so much. It causes stress, anxiety and an incredibly sore back. Yet still, every year at this time it’s “open season” at our local nursery and naively I think, “maybe this year will be different.”

It’s not like I don’t come from a long line of gardeners. Well, at least my mother, anyway. She’s always had an incredible knack for nurturing nature. It’s not an exaggeration to say that she could hack off the slimmest branch of a Rose of Sharon with a blunt kitchen knife, throw it in a glass of water for a week, watch it sprout roots, plant it and have a six-foot tree by the following season. Mum was famous for her bountiful flower gardens, beautiful shrubbery and towering decorative grasses, all of them forming beautiful pathways and pretty little archways and “areas of interest” throughout her extensive gardens. “You just plonk it in the ground” is her favourite explanation whenever I ask for advice on how, or where, to best plant a particularly picky perennial. Suffice to say “plonking” never really works out for me, but, then again, I’ve never been all that clear on what a perennial vs. an annual is either so that might just be part of my problem.

I’m the person that goes to my local nursery year after year full of hope and optimism. I see all the beautiful plants, I diligently read the labels about sun exposure, planting depth and how many inches apart I should plant things and then come home with geraniums because they are the only thing I can be reliably certain I won’t kill. If you pass by a house with a preponderance of red geraniums and not much else, there’s a good chance it’s mine. I’ve tried hydrangea, planted a magnolia tree, and once (only briefly) had a beautiful silver birch in my yard. Glutton for punishment that I am, I also planted first a dwarf Alberta spruce, then a weeping pea tree, and finally another spruce all in the same spot only to watch them perish. To this day I’m convinced some kind of toxic waste had previously been buried there and eventually we simply covered up the hole in the ground with some rocks and a decorative urn. Elsewhere, whether the front or back lawn it doesn’t seem to matter, I have routinely witnessed the death of all manner of

plants, trees, shrubs and flowers that nursery staff have assured me are “indestructible”, “can grow in any type of soil”, “love the sun”, or its opposite, “love the shade” yet even when they are planted in the sunniest or shadiest part of our property they wither and die.

On those rare occasions I manage to keep something close to surviving, if not thriving, you can be sure other forces of nature will come into play to guarantee eventual failure. Just last year I actually had beautiful overflowing planters full of Calibrachoa, (look at me, knowing Latin!) more commonly known by us non-gardening types as “million bells.” Bright, sunny yellow, and yes, thriving on my back deck; first one planter was knocked over by hubbie, who didn’t tell me and quickly tried to shove them all back in, but so haphazardly that by the time I noticed they looked a little limp and forlorn it was too late to bring them back from the brink. Now left with only “half a million” bells, I redoubled all of my efforts on the remaining planter only to watch in horror one morning as a creature rooted through them like they were on an archeological dig for lost Egyptian treasure. By the time it was over, I’m not sure if there was any more than a dollar’s worth of bells left.

The only gardening success we’ve had is a little joint project between my husband and my daughter-in-law. Diligently planned, meticulously laid out, and carefully fenced in to protect against critters and our dogs, they had a thriving little garden going, from which we actually harvested quite a few zucchini and a few tomatoes too. Needless to say, I had nothing to do with it. Even they, however, were eventually felled by a wily rabbit eating all the lettuce and we still don’t know what happened to the corn. One day it was there, over 6 feet tall and just about ready for plucking and the next day? Poof! Gone – every, single, ear of corn, completely decimated in what must have been one helluva an overnight buffet.

Suffice to say it might be open season at my local nursery this upcoming long weekend and the time might be ripe for planting, but I’m in no particular rush to start digging. Actually, wait. Isn’t the expression ripe for picking? As in, like what we do in the fall, when things ripen? No wonder I’m so confused about gardening, I can’t even keep my metaphors straight. No, I think this year I’ll wait until the dust settles, invite my Mum up to the house to help me “plonk” flowers in the planters (it’s their only chance at life) and while she does that, I’ll also listen to her trying to hide her laughter as she tells me the “weeds” I pulled up while preparing the garden beds were actually perennials instead. It’s the story of my life, season, after season, after season.

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Tickets on sale now for 20th Annual Jim Cuddy Jamboree in support of local hospital

BY PAULA BROWN

Juno-award-winning musician Jim Cuddy will help raise funds for local health care as he takes the stage in Mulmur for the 20th Annual Jim Cuddy Jamboree.

The intimate outdoor concert will take place at Lyric Pond in Honeywood on June 29 with the proceeds raised from the event going towards Headwaters Health Care Foundation (HHCF).

“We’re incredibly excited to be this year’s beneficiary of the 20th Annual Jim Cuddy Jamboree,” said K.C. Carruthers, CEO of Headwaters Health Care Foundation.

He went on to add, “This event brings people together in the spirit of music and community, and every ticket purchased helps bring us closer to providing our hospital (with) the equipment they need to continue to provide exceptional care, close to home. We hope to see you at the event.”

Started in 2005, the Jim Cuddy Jamboree

has served as more than just an annual concert, with the local event holding a long history of helping raise funds for environmental and community-based initiatives.

Recent beneficiaries of the Jim Cuddy Jamboree include the Creemore Community Foundation, the Bruce Trail Conservancy, and the Dufferin Community Foundation.

Headwaters Health Care Foundation (HHCF) is the fundraising organization of Headwaters Health Care Centre in Orangeville. The Foundation raises funds for medical equipment, infrastructure and continuing education.

Through fundraising efforts, HHCF has been able to help fund a number of projects at Headwaters Hospital including a new CT scanner, redevelopment of the dialysis unit, updates to the hospital’s patient record system, and the community’s first magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) suite.

Tickets to the Jim Cuddy Jamboree include a dinner catered by Thornbury’s Culinary De-



JIM CUDDY

PHOTO BY CHRISTOPHER GENTILE

signs, as well as a variety of beverages, including Creemore Springs beer, Black Bank Hill wine, and Cottage Springs spirits.

The acclaimed Canadian musician will be joined by friends on stage including fellow members of Blue Rodeo.

Tickets are on sale with a limited number

available. Tickets are \$250 for adults (19+), \$75 for youth (aged 12-18), \$25 for kids (aged 6-11) and free for children five and under.

For more information and to purchase tickets for the 20th Annual Jim Cuddy Jamboree, visit the official event page: <https://hhcfoundation.akaraisin.com/ui/JimCuddyJamboree>

Smile Cookie Campaign sets record with \$50,000 donation to Headwaters

BY SAM ODROWSKI

The recent Tim Horton’s Smile Cookie Campaign raised a record amount of money for Headwaters Health Care Foundation (HHCF).

In partnership with Orangeville Tim Hortons locations, the campaign raised \$50,000 in support of the local hospital, which is the most raised in a single year since the campaign began supporting HHCF in 2006.

“This year’s campaign was nothing short of amazing,” said HHCF CEO K.C. Carruthers, CEO. “We are overwhelmed with gratitude to our local Tim Hortons owners, staff, and every single person who purchased a Smile Cookie. Your support is making a lasting difference in the lives of patients and their families in our community.”

More than \$500,000 has now been donated to HHCF through the Smile Cookie Campaign, over the last 19 years.

“These funds have directly supported vital equipment, programs, and services that benefit the entire Headwaters community. This year’s campaign will support the purchase of two wireless fetal monitors that provide wireless monitoring of mother and baby during labour and delivery. Specifically, wireless fetal monitors enable wireless, continuous monitoring during labour, while allowing the mother to be mobile, resulting in a much better delivery experience and improved patient outcomes,” reads a press release from HHCF.

The Smile Cookie Campaign sees the full \$2 from every freshly baked cookie sold at Tim Horton’s donated to local charities selected by each restaurant.

“We are incredibly proud to support our local hospital and this amazing community,” said Krista Goudreault and Cara Preuss, Orangeville Tim Hortons owners. “We want to thank our guests and dedicated team members who made this year’s campaign a record-breaking success.”

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MP for Brampton North Caledon appointed Secretary of State for Team Carney

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

MP for Brampton North-Caledon Ruby Sahota, has been appointed Secretary of State responsible for combating crime in Prime Minister Mark Carney’s newly formed Canadian Ministry, sworn in on May 13, 2025.

Carney introduced his new Cabinet on Tuesday, with 28 full ministers and 10 Secretaries of State.

Secretaries of State offer focused leadership on particular issues within a minister’s broader portfolio.

While they are not members of the Cabinet, they may attend Cabinet or Cabinet Committee meetings when topics within their responsibilities are discussed, contributing policy expertise and support to inform decision-making.

Secretaries of State do not attend all Cabinet Meetings.

This is the first time the roles of Secretaries of State have been utilized since 2007.

Sahota’s previous roles include serving as Minister of Democratic Institutions and Minister responsible for the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario under former Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and the role of Chief Government Whip.

In a statement, Sahota expressed her passion for her new role.

“I am deeply honoured to be joining the Cabinet of Prime Minister Carney at this important time for our country,” said Sahota. “Canadians are calling for action on public safety, and I am ready to lead that effort with swift action, determination, and a focus on evidence-based policy.”

Sahota’s appointment reflects her years

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of experience advocating for justice reform and building safer communities.

As a lawyer, legislator, and representative of Brampton North since 2015, Sahota has a perspective on federal leadership on crime and community safety.

In this new role, MP Sahota plans to work closely with police services, provinces, territories, and grassroots organizations to implement meaningful reforms to Canada’s bail system and ensure safer streets for all Canadians.

“The safety of our communities cannot be an afterthought,” Sahota added. “We need balanced, fair, and effective policies that protect victims, respect rights, and restore confidence in our justice system.”

Caledon Public Library’s Comprehensive Growth Plan brings extended access to Inglewood

BY RILEY MURPHY
LOCAL JOURNALISM
INITIATIVE REPORTER

As Caledon’s population grows, so does its need for access to public spaces.

A new initiative at the Inglewood Library aims to meet that need, starting this summer.

The Caledon Public Library’s Comprehensive Growth Plan outlines a four-stage growth plan to help provide adequate library services to its rapidly diversifying population. Stage 1 includes the implementation of extended access hours and self-service technologies.

With Council’s support, the Library received funding in the 2025 Budget for the first Extended Access service for the Inglewood Branch.

Preparation for this service is now well underway, with a soft launch tentatively estimated for late June/early July 2025.

Extended Access provides registered customers with access to the Inglewood Library branch, outside of staffed hours, during predetermined blocks of time.

During these extended hours, registered customers can browse, pick up holds, use the Public Access Computers, print, and check out materials using the self-service technology.

Customers over the age of 18 will be able to register for the extended hours with their library card.

Registration will take place in person at Inglewood, Caledon Village, Alton, Southfields Village, and Margaret Dunn Valleywood, and those registering must show a valid ID.

With the staffed hours and the addition of extended hours, Inglewood customers have branch hours consistent with the hours at full-service branches.



Customers can reach staff members at surrounding branches using the branch phone in case of questions or an emergency.

Leah Rucchetto, Director of Public Services for the Caledon Public Library, shared the research and experience that went into this project.

Rucchetto previously worked at Toronto Public Library and said they didn’t encounter customer or safety issues related to the implementation Extended Access and customers shared positive reactions to increased opportunities to access the branch.

Rucchetto spoke with managers from Hamilton Public Library, Pickering Public Library, and Toronto Public Library about the implementation and day-to-day offerings of the service to hear their perspective.

This included items such as the hours and space, their registration process, and the physical and procedural steps that they have in place to ensure the safety of customers and property.

Rucchetto said this project provides more flexibility to customers.

During the soft launch, FAQs (frequently asked questions) about how the service will work will be made available to residents, and customers are welcome to reach out to staff for more information.

Julie Elsdon-Height appointed Executive Director at Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services

The Board of Directors for Caledon\Dufferin Victim Services (CDVS) is delighted to announce the appointment of Julie Elsdon-Height as our new Executive Director, effective May 12, 2025.

Julie is a seasoned community leader and Registered Social Worker with over 20 years of experience spanning corporate management, mental health care, and community advocacy. A lifelong resident of Dufferin County, she brings a strong commitment to building safe, inclusive, and trauma-informed services that meet the evolving needs of our community.



Currently completing her Master of Social Work at the University of Waterloo, Julie holds an Honours Bachelor of Indigenous Social Work from Laurentian University. Her career has included leading local initiatives to support survivors of trauma, addiction, and gender-based violence, as well as co-founding The Brave Canoe, an Indigenous-led not-for-profit organization focused on healing and cultural revitalization in Dufferin County.

Julie is widely recognized for her collaborative leadership style, her focus on equity and access, and her ability to bring together diverse stakeholders to advance community wellbeing. She looks forward to working with CDVS staff, volunteers, community partners, and funders to continue the organization’s critical work and strengthen its impact across Caledon and Dufferin.

Please join us in congratulating Julie on her appointment and welcoming her to CDVS.



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events

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THE BENEFITS OF ATTENDING SUMMER CAMP

Summer camp is something akin to a rite of passage for millions of youngsters each year. Many adults look back fondly on their experiences at summer camp, often crediting such times as formative periods in their lives.

Summer camp benefits children in myriad ways. Recognition of the many advantages of attending summer camp can serve as a great reminder of just how fun it can be for children to spend their time away from school at a camp of their choosing.

CAMPERS CONTINUE TO SOCIALIZE THROUGHOUT SUMMER

Socializing isn't just for the school year. While children in high school might be independent enough to come and go with their friends during summer break, kids who are still in elementary school or middle school might not be old enough to handle such freedom. That can make it hard to stay in touch with friends, which in turn can contribute to feelings of boredom and loneliness. Camp provides ample opportunities for young children to socialize during a time of year when they might not see their school friends as often as they're used to.

CAMPERS CAN EXPAND THEIR HORIZONS

Though some summer camps are exclusive to residents of certain communities, many tend to feature children from numerous towns or municipalities. Such camps provide an opportunity for campers to expand their horizons by engaging with youngsters who come from different backgrounds. Indeed, the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University notes that summer camp may be the first time children spend substantial amounts of time with people whose backgrounds differ from their own.

CAMP CAN GET KIDS OFF THEIR DEVICES

Modern children are growing up in a digital world, and parents know how hard it can be to get kids to put down their devices and get outdoors. But the key to making that pivot could be access to outdoor play spaces. A 2025 study from researchers at the University of Michigan published in the journal Health and Place found that efforts to reduce kids' screen time are more successful when children are given a chance to play outside. Many summer camps are structured around outdoor play, making them a potentially invaluable

ally as parents seek to help children cut back on the time they spend using their devices. Children who do not attend camp and live in households where both parents work or in single-parent households where Mom or Dad works may be forced to spend much of summer indoors, which could increase the frequency with which they turn to devices to occupy their time.

CAMP ADDS STRUCTURE TO SUMMER DAYS

Once a school year ends, the structure a school day provides vanishes into thin air. Couple that with extracurricular activities that go on hiatus during summer vacation, and kids accustomed to structure are left with little to do and no need to schedule their time. That can add an aimlessness to summer days. Camp can provide the structure kids are accustomed to but still offer a break from responsibilities like homework or the commitments required of extracurricular activities.

There's no shortage of benefits to enrolling youngsters in summer camp, where kids can socialize, grow and get off their devices while engaged in structured but stress-free activities.





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Cara Vella leads Hall’s Varsity Hockey team back to ROPSSAA Finals after program’s eight-year hiatus

BY JIM STEWART

The Robert F. Hall Girls Varsity Hockey team was put on ice for eight years from 2016-2024, but the squad was resurrected in the 2023-24 season.

Grade 10 student-athlete Cara Vella was part of the program’s return to competition last season and discussed the rapid strides the program has made in less than two years.

“The Wolfpack Girls Hockey team was only brought back for the first time in eight years, last year. This year we entered ROPSSAA for the first time, and went all the way to the championships. Along with that, we won gold in the November Mini-Matches Tournament.”

The program’s remarkable rebound can be attributed to the dedication of skilled players like Vella, who suits up for the OWHL powerhouse Etobicoke Dolphins and Team Ontario’s ball hockey team when she isn’t playing for the Wolfpack.

According to Hall Hockey Coach Nick Pusateri, Vella was impressive in her sophomore season to help elevate the school’s hockey program.

“Cara is an exceptional athlete because of her relentless work ethic, strong defensive awareness, and commitment to teamwork. She plays with intelligence and discipline, making smart decisions under pressure, and always putting her team first.”

Coach Pusateri praised Vella’s qualities as a student-athlete at Robert F Hall CSS.

“As a student at a Catholic high school, Cara embodies the values of faith, integrity, and per-

severance. She leads by example – demonstrating respect, kindness, and humility in all that she does.”

What impresses Coach Pusateri the most about Vella is “her unwavering dedication and character. She is not only an outstanding athlete, but also a remarkable teammate and student, always giving 100% to both academics and athletics.”

Coach Pusateri praised Vella’s defensive prowess when the lights were the brightest and pressure was at its highest point during the Wolfpack’s most important game of the season.

“During our ROPSSAA championship game, Cara was tasked with shadowing Lorne Park’s best player. She was relentless and played smart defensive hockey all game long.”

Cara Vella took time from her studies and her Team Ontario ball hockey commitments to answer our interview questions:

Caledon Citizen: What qualities did you demonstrate in your sports season to earn Student-Athlete of the Week honors?

Cara Vella: “I think every person I have played with this year has been super kind and dedicated so there was lots of teamwork, as well as hard work and consistency that went on. Along with that, just being positive throughout the season, which we all seemed to do well as a unit.”

Caledon Citizen: In addition to your high school sports teams, what other community teams do you play for and at what level?

Cara Vella: “Aside from school, I play U18 hockey for the Etobicoke Dolphins, as well as

U17 Nationals and U18 Provincials ball hockey for Team Ontario.”

Caledon Citizen: How would you describe yourself as a student at Robert F. Hall? To which sports teams and clubs do you belong? Honor Roll?

Cara Vella: “I would say I am a strong student who cares a lot about my grades, but also about a well- rounded life outside of school. Last year I received honour roll with the phys-ed award.”

Caledon Citizen: What are your post-secondary plans regarding prospective academic/athletic destinations?

Cara Vella: “After high school, my goal is to become a doctor and hopefully receive either an athletic or academic scholarship.”

Caledon Citizen: Who is your role model in terms of the person you admire the most?

Cara Vella: “Honestly, I would have to say that I am most inspired by all my teammates and coaches, in and out of school. Every one of them make me want to push myself to be a better player and person.”

Caledon Citizen: How do you feel about being nominated as The Caledon Citizen’s Student-Athlete of the Week?

Cara Vella: “It was a bit of a shock, but I feel honoured that anyone would choose to give me this opportunity. I had so much support and encouragement this past year, which has truly helped shape me into a better, more confident student-athlete.”



CARA VELLA
CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

More than a game: How Hockley Valley Resort’s Ladies Night is redefining women’s golf

Every month this summer, as the sun dips behind the rolling hills of Hockley Valley Resort, a vibrant community of women gathers on the first tee — clubs in hand, laughter in the air, and no pressure in sight.

This is Ladies Night at Hockley Valley Resort, and it’s about more than just golf.

It’s about taking time for yourself. It’s about shared moments, new friendships, and the quiet thrill of a well-hit shot after a long day. And it’s part of a growing shift in the sport — one that’s placing women front and center in a space that hasn’t always felt like their own.

At Hockley Valley Resort, that change feels effortless. The Ladies Night League isn’t a separate experience — it’s a thoughtfully curated one. A space where women feel genuinely welcome, relaxed, and supported, whether they’re long-time players or lacing up their spikes for the first time.

Running on June 19, July 17, August 21, and September 18, each Ladies Night begins at 5 p.m., featuring nine holes of golf in a cart-mandatory format that ensures a smooth, easy pace of play across the beautifully maintained course.

A power cart is included in every registration — not just for convenience, but to help keep the game light, social, and accessible for all skill levels.

And this isn’t a competitive gathering. There’s no official scoring, just a couple of

fun on-course contests and lots of friendly banter. Come with a group or book solo — the Resort’s team will thoughtfully pair individuals to make sure everyone feels included and connected.

After the final putt drops, the evening continues at Babbo, Hockley Valley Resort’s stylish bar and lounge, where each participant enjoys a complimentary glass of wine or beer. Often, that glass comes from Adamo Estate Winery, the resort’s sister property just minutes away, and the perfect way to toast a summer evening well spent.

But what makes this league so special isn’t just the golf — it’s the culture. For many women, Ladies Night has become a highlight of their summer calendars: a rare opportunity to unplug, enjoy nature, and invest in something that’s purely for them.

And make no mistake — what’s happening here is bigger than a few great tee shots and a glass of Pinot. Events like this are reshaping the golf landscape by fostering a sense of community and belonging for women of all ages and abilities. They’re proving that golf doesn’t need to be intimidating to be meaningful — and that joy, connection, and inclusion are just as important as par.

So, whether you’re a seasoned golfer or simply golf-curious, Hockley Valley Resort’s Ladies Night League offers a welcoming entry point into the game — and a

great excuse to get outside, try something new, and make a few friends along the way.

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THOMAS 'TOM' GROSS

The family of Thomas 'Tom' Gross are saddened to announce his sudden passing on Saturday, May 10th, 2025 at Collingwood General & Marine Hospital. In his 85th year with family by his side, he left behind his beloved wife Bonnie Hamilton. Cherished father of Kevin and his wife Gunda, Melissa and his beloved daughter Anne (deceased). He will be fondly missed by Grandchildren Markus and Carol, Matthias and Erica, Mareike and Jordan, Paige, Michael, McKenna and Great Grandchildren William, Lionel and Orson. There wasn't a sport he didn't love, but his passion for golf was his absolute joy, enjoying a round with his old friends at the famed Glen Eagle golf course, he could spend hours on the fairway. Tom grew up in Toronto then moved to Bolton to raise his family. He loved camping with the family, spending numerous summers in the Pinery and trips to Disney World with kids and Grandkids. After retiring in Wasaga with Bonnie and having to slow down, his happy days were seen at the 'bark park', sipping his coffee and sharing stories with all that came with their dogs. He's now sitting around the campfire with his sweet daughter Anne and trusted dog Sadie. A celebration of Tom's life will be held at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen St. S. (Hwy 50), Bolton, (905-857-2213) with a memorial reception on Tuesday, May 20th from 5 to 7 o'clock with Words of Remembrance at 6 o'clock. If desired, memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation (heartandstroke.ca) Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com



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WINSTON JOSEPH RODGERS

In loving memory of Winston Joseph Rodgers who passed away surrounded by his loving family on May 10, 2025 at the Meaford Hospital.

Winston will be sadly missed by his loving wife Calva (Cutting) Rodgers of 59 years.

He was the cherished father of Catherine (Sean) and Gary (Patricia) and proud grandpa of Sophia (Bob), Jeffrey, Sabrina (Ryan), Jessica (Steph) and Jakob (Cynthia) and great grandpa of Curtis, Charlotte, Madison, Oliver and Grace. Winston is survived by his brother Paul and predeceased by his parents Joseph and Lilly and his siblings Wanda, Donald (Cathy) and Douglas (Mabel). He was predeceased by his nephew Jeremy.



Winston was a devoted Toronto Maple Leaf and Toronto Blue Jays fan; in his younger years he was a fantastic hockey and lacrosse coach. He loved to attend to his gardens and spend his time with his wonderful family.

The family would like to thank all of his home care PSWs and Nurses and the fantastic staff at the Meaford Hospital, and Dialysis team at the Brampton Hospital 112.

A funeral service will be conducted at Ferguson Funeral Home in Meaford, ON on Friday, May 16, 2025 at 11 o'clock, with visiting the hour prior to service. A service of committal and interment will take place at Walkers Cemetery at 085795 Southgate Rd. 8, with a reception following at the Dundalk Legion.

As your expression of sympathy, donations to the Diabetes Association or the Kidney Foundation or your choice would be appreciated and may be made through the Ferguson Funeral Home, 48 Boucher St. E., Meaford, ON N4L 1B9 to whom arrangements have been entrusted.

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Next year's Municipal Election to use paper ballots

BY RILEY MURPHY
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INITIATIVE REPORTER

At Council's May 6 General Committee meeting, local lawmakers moved forward with recommendations that the 2026 Municipal and School Board Election be conducted using an in-person paper ballot process as a basis.

The alternative voting options on the table were: Option One – Expanded traditional meaning in-person voting and limited home voting service; Option Two – In-person paper ballot, Internet and/or Telephone Advance Vote; and Option Three – In-person paper ballot and vote-by-mail.

Accessibility Advisory Committee recommended Option 2 for broader accessibility.

In the 2026 Municipal Election Voting Methods Survey, the response read that most voters would be comfortable using in-person ballots on election day and prior to election day in the 2026 Municipal Election.

Public concerns in the Alternative Voting Methods for the 2026 Municipal Election Staff Report related to alternative voting methods included voter fraud, privacy and security considerations, additional costs, and impacts to voter turnout.

Sherry Brioschi, a Caledon resident, spoke at the meeting regarding the alternative voting methods. Brioschi said she feared that, due to cybersecurity risks, Council should proceed with Option One.

"One can take all measures that they want and lock up offices, drawers, and clean desks. It does not protect against cyberattacks or data of personal information being collected," said Brioschi. "When Caledon decided to do this electronic counting back in the 2014 election, I personally did not support, and I stand here today and do not support it again."

Other concerns from Council regarding in-person ballots with limited home voting service revolved around those in long-term care homes.

Matthew Stepien, Legislative Coordinator, stated that the limited home voting service would be in addition to the long-term care voting, as they are required under the Municipal

Elections Act to provide voting services to care institutions.

Stepien explained that the limited home voting would be similar to the method in Brampton. It is a system where a member of the clerk's team, along with another member, would go to a resident's home to facilitate the voting process.

Councillor Nick de Boer expressed concerns that those homebound and residing in care outside of the community will not receive this option.

The service will only be provided to those currently residing within the geographical boundary of the community.

This service would be offered during advanced voting; on voting day, it would only be in-person ballots.

Councillor Dave Sheen also had similar concerns, as he expressed that with option two, there was more accessibility for members of the public who struggle with in-person voting.

"I was hoping our Council would embrace internet and telephone voting options for Caledon's next municipal election because I feel strongly that every eligible resident should be able to participate in our democratic process without unnecessary barriers," he said in a statement to the Citizen. "In fact, the Town's Accessibility Advisory Committee cautiously recommended these alternative methods to better serve those who may face challenges voting in person.

"I remain confident that with the robust security measures that could be put in place, we could protect the integrity of our elections while making voting more accessible and convenient for all."

Council carried the motion to move forward with Option One, meaning the 2026 Municipal and School Board election will be conducted using an in-person paper ballot process as a basis.

Option One will be utilized as the alternative voting method for use at advanced polls in addition to the in-person paper ballot process.

(Editor's Note: This article appeared in our May 8 edition of the Caledon Citizen, but Councillor Sheen's quote appeared under Councillor de Boer's name. We regret the error.)



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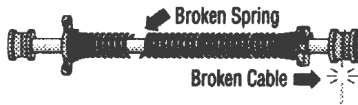
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Our history made us who we are

It was the morning of September 13, 1759, when French General Louis-Joesph, Marquis de Montcalm, emerged from his lodgings to find a British firing line of soldiers a kilometre wide had assembled on the Plains of Abraham, near Quebec City, ready to do battle.

The French were surprised. They did not expect the British troops to be able to scale the cliffs from the St. Lawrence River, and bring two bronze six-pounder cannon with them.

The British were led by General James Wolfe. The British had placed the city under siege for several months and smaller skirmishes occurred before the main battle.

The French were already in trouble before the battle even started. They were a mix of both regular soldiers and local militia units who were poorly trained and armed.

Montcalm was trained for set battles in which regiments and soldiers moved in precise order. His soldiers were not trained for this.

Oddly, General Wolfe ordered his soldiers to charge their muskets with two balls each for the initial engagement when they were ordered to fire on their opponents.

During the battle, Wolfe as struck in the wrist by a musket ball. He wrapped the wound and continued to lead his men.

Several minutes later, Wolfe was struck by two shots – one in the lower stomach and a fatal

wound in the chest.

During the French retreat, Montcalm, while on his horse, was struck by either canister shot or repeated musket fire and was his in the lower abdomen and thigh. He died in the early morning hours from his wounds.

The British victory on the Plains of Abraham not only changed the course of Canadian history, it changed the course of an entire continent.

I think we quite often forget the rich history that has created this nation. I learned none of this in history class when I was student.

I learned about this battle when my parents took us on a long road trip out east and stopping at the battle site was part of the itinerary.

Unlike the US, where pretty much every battle fought on US soil has been made into a movie, our history has never really been captured on film in the same way.

On the morning of October 13, 1812, during the War of 1812, American forces began crossing the Niagara River at Queenston.

Defending forces opened fire on the invading troops. The two sides exchanged artillery fire across the river.

Twenty-miles downstream, General Isaac Brock, who was at Fort George in Niagara-on-the-Lake was awakened by the noise of the artillery.

Brock rode the 20 miles on horseback to the

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site of the skirmish.

Taking charge of the situation, Brock led the charge up the hill at Queenston Heights. He was struck in the wrist by a musket ball, but continued the charge.

Moments later, an American sniper found his mark and Brock was hit in the chest and mortally wounded.

His last words were reportedly, “Push on, brave York Volunteers.” However, that is regarded as as folklore.

Struck through the middle of his chest and killed almost instantly, Brock’s last words were more likely a gurgle before dying on the battlefield.

Brock’s legacy was so great, the site of his death is marked, and there is a park on the battlefield.

A 185 ft column that was created in his honour is a dominant feature of the park and is one of the most impressive monuments in the country.

On July 25, 1814, an invading American army and British and Canadian forces met at a place called Lundy’s Lane, on a very hot day, just a few miles from Niagara Falls.

One of the bloodiest battles of the War of

1812 ensued.

The fighting went on until midnight, with artillery exchanging hands several times at the crest of a hill.

Fighting in the dark, there was a lot of confusion on the battlefield. It must have been quite the sight to see volleys fired in the darkness among the yells of soldiers and screams of the wounded.

In the morning, the battlefield was littered with the dead and dying. There were over 1,700 casualties.

The battle site is now paved over with houses, churches, and commercial buildings.

It is the only main battle site in Canada that was never preserved. However, a church cemetery on the site, which was actually started before the battle, contains many historic graves including the grave of Laura Secord, a heroine of the war.

There are many more historic battles and events that shaped this country.

Every student should be taught the importance of these events that created the country we now enjoy and thrive in.

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Hanover blanks Essex to win 2025 provincial Schmalz Cup

BY BRIAN LOCKHART

The Hanover Barons have captured the 2025 provincial Junior C Schmalz Cup after winning the final series in a four-game sweep over the Essex 73s.

It wasn’t a surprise that the Barons won the cup; however, it was a surprise that they were able to do it in four games.

The Essex team arrived at the final series after winning the West Conference title over the Petrolia Flyers in a series that went four games.

They eliminated the New Hamburg Firebirds in the Schmalz Cup semi-final round in a series that went five games, to earn their spot in the championship round.

The championship series was going to be between two talented teams so it was expected that the final could go six or seven games.

The Barons won the North Conference final with a 4-1 win over the Orillia Terriers. They went on to eliminate the Napanee Raider in the semi-final of the Schmalz Cup.

The final championship series got underway on May 3. The Barons left the ice with a dominant 6-1 win in Game One of the series leaving fans surprised at the score in a championship game

Game Two gave the Barons an edge in the series with a 2-1 win on Essex home ice.

The 73s were in serious trouble after they took a 4-0 loss in Game 3.

The final game showed just how resilient the Hanover team is.

After playing to a 1-1 tie in the first period, the 73s scored three unanswered goals in the second frame to lead 4-1 with one period remaining.

In playoff hockey it is very rare for a team to come back against that type of deficit, however, the Barons hammered in three goals in the third period to tie the game 4-4 and force overtime.

The 73s were fighting a battle to keep the series alive and just needed to score one to win the game and return for Game Five.

Their season ended with Hanover scoring at 10:30 into the overtime period to win the game and claim the 2025 championship.

This was the first provincial cup win for the Barons since 1991 when they defeated the Orangeville Crushers in the Schmalz cup final.

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- 125-Acre Property Features Rolling Meadows, Mixed Bush, & Large Stream-Fed Pond
- Custom-Built Bungalow With Approx. 2,800 Sq. Ft. Of Main Floor Living
- Well-Maintained Bank Barn For Cattle, Offering Pens & Hay/Straw Storage
- 1,500 Sq. Ft Shop
- Approx. 65 Acres Pasture & 55 Acres Arable Land



20 ACRE HOBBY FARM –
NEW TECUMSETH \$2,295,000

- Scenic, Tree-Lined Driveway Leads To A Beautiful Bungalow With 3+2 Bedrooms & 4 Baths
- 2 Car Garage, 3 Car Covered Parking, 45ftx60ft Shop
- 30ftx50ft Barn With 3 Stalls And Tack Room, 2 Winter Paddocks & 2 Grazing Paddocks
- Approx. 11 Acres Of Forest For ATV Rides, Horseback Adventures, Or Peaceful Walks



1.3 ACRE ESTATE HOME – SPRINGWATER
\$1,995,000

- Almost-New Home Showcases Exceptional Craftsmanship
- Stunning 4-Bedroom, 5-Bathroom Custom-Built Bungalow With 2.5 Car Garage
- Covered Lanai Overlooking A Private, Forested Backyard



10 ACRES – ADJALA
\$1,799,000

- Rolling 10 Acres With Gated Front Entrance & Paved Drive
- Approx. 4,500 Sq Ft Beautifully Renovated Home
- Fantastic 2 Level Barn With Water & Hydo
- Between Newmarket & Orangeville



PYNE HILLS ESTATES –
NEW TECUMSETH
\$1,795,000

- Sprawling All Brick Bungalow In Sought After Estate Community
- Walk-Out Lower Level With Inlaw Potential
- Stunning Landscapes And Inground Pool
- Just Minutes To Tottenham And Highway 9



2 HOMES ON 71 ACRES – ADJALA
\$1,695,000

- Primary House Boasts 4 Bedrooms
- 2nd Home Features 2 Bedrooms And 1 Bath, Laundry And Kitchen
- Approx 45 Acres Of Hayfield And 12 Acres Of Pasture Land.
- 60ft X 100ft Barn With 5 Stalls, Large Outdoor Sand Ring



9+ ACRES WITH SHOP – ESSA
\$1,595,000

- Looking For Privacy? Need A Shop?
- 30 Ft X 50 Ft Insulated And Heated Workshop With Two 12 Ft X10 Ft Overhead Doors
- Well Maintained All-Brick Bungalow
- Walk-Up Lower Level With Inlaw Suite Potential And Huge Rec Room Area
- Geothermal (Ground Source) Heating And Cooling



CEDAR MILLS – CALEDON
\$1,550,000

- Beautiful 3-Bedroom, 4-Bathroom Home
- Just Minutes From Palgrave And Bolton
- Set On A Meticulously Landscaped Lot Adorned With Mature Trees
- 16ftx20ft Detached Garage With Concrete Floor And Hydro



35 ACRES – NEW TECUMSETH
\$1,499,000

- Build Your Dream Home!
- Perfect Muck Soil/Dark Loam Strategically Tiled
- Features A Large 60 Ft X 80 Ft Workshop
- Minutes To Alliston And Tottenham



CHARMING COUNTRY BUNGALOW –
NEW TECUMSETH \$1,299,000

- 2.96 Acres Offering The Perfect Blend Of Rural Privacy And Convenient Proximity To Town
- Custom-Built Home Boasts 4 Spacious Bedrooms
- Lower Level Features A Walkout In-Law Suite, Providing Additional Living Space
- Large Pond, A Tranquil Creek, And A Hobby Shop (30ft X 50 Ft) With Water And 200 Amp Service



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