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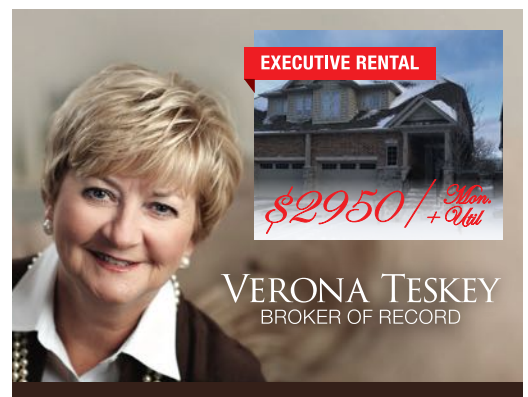
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A CLASSIC WHODUNIT: The cast of 'The Psychic', currently playing at Blackhorse Village Players in Bolton, have been earning rave reviews for their performance in an enthralling production. Local residents can catch the play up until Feb. 2. For the full story, see Page A11

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Wolfpack falls just short in Div. 2 hockey championship, qualifies for OFSAA

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

The Iona Dolphins defeated the Robert F. Hall Wolfpack 3-1 to win the division two high school championship last Wednesday.

Both teams play a similar style of hockey. They work hard, beat you to the puck and shoot as if their careers depended on it.

In the first period, both teams were on edge. Nerves had not completely settled in. The Dolphins were on the penalty kill immediately and the Wolfpack powerplay could not get organized.

On the Wolfpack's second power play of the period, the boys finally settled in, raining down shots on Owen Hennessy in the Iona goal. The Dolphins goaltender denied them all.

Later on, in the first period the opening goal arrived. Confusion between Wolfpack goaltender Marcus DiPassio and his defence beside the net resulted in a scramble for the puck.

Dolphins player Luke DiCroce slotted home the loose puck for a 1-0 lead.

The Dolphins settled in after their goal and created more scoring chances before the end of the frame.

At the beginning of the 2nd period, the Wolfpack came out strong.

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Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones 'proud' of community & provincial initiatives

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones says Ontario's Progressive Conservative government made huge strides in 2019 and she is working hard to push forward more goals in 2020.

In an interview with the Citizen, she said one of the main highlights of 2019 was passage of the Provincial Animal Welfare (PAWS) Act, giving Ontario the strictest animal protections laws and punishments in all of Canada, which came into effect on Jan 1.

"2019 was an incredibly busy year but I'm pretty excited about some of the announcements that we were able to make in the first year of government. Introducing the PAWS legislation and having that now in place, in the province in Ontario, leading Canada in the animal welfare field and protecting our pets and animals," she said. "That was amazing work that I had the honour in leading as the Solicitor General."

According to the government's website, the legislation prioritizes the protection of animals and improves animal welfare, by including new offenses to combat activities such as dog fighting, allowing inspectors to help animals in distress and holding those necessary accountable, giving the government ability to empower others allowing actions to take place if animal is at risk of serious injury or death, increasing penalties for serious or repeating offenders, improving increased transparency and accountability and ensuring the necessary experts such as veterinarians, academics, animal advocates can produce information and advice for the government to help improve animal protection.

Ms. Jones has studied and worked on ridding Ontario of human trafficking for close to 10 years. Working alongside the Associate Minister of Children and Women Issues,



FILE PHOTO

PROUD OF PROVINCIAL PROGRAMS: Dufferin-Caledon MPP Sylvia Jones reflected on her successes of 2019 in a recent interview with the Citizen, while outlining her plans, and potential projects, for 2020.

Jill Dunlop, a new strategy was developed to fight and overcome human trafficking in Ontario.

The government is committing to $20 million annually for the initiative to fund supports and develop other initiatives for victims of human trafficking.

"Many people in Dufferin-Caledon know that I worked previously on a human trafficking select committee, and have a lot of ideas and heard a lot of great opportunities on how we can shut down what I think is probably one of the most heinous crimes that we have where organized gangs are using it to fund their illegal activities," she explained. "While Ontario is most impacted today, this opportunity that gangs are using our young people to fund their criminal activity is only going to grow if we don't start to figure out ways to shut them down. There're some very exciting opportunities that we can do if we work together."

The local MPP also discussed work going towards improving life for the Dufferin-Caledon community, including one big aspect, health care.

"The announcement of the Ontario Health Team here in Headwaters, is literally going to transform how people can access and get help when they transition through the many steps of the health system," she said, "whether it's through coordination of paramedics, long term care, palliative care, family health teams, the emergency room in the hospital,.

"I'm really looking forward to working with all of our health partners on the Headwaters OHT. I know from talking with them how excited and how they see this really being at the centre for helping patients and families get the assistance they need. "

The MPP and her team have moved into a new office that allows easier access to services for residents of the riding, located at 180 Broadway in Orangeville.

"Our new location has really allowed us to offer service a better service, we're more coordinated because of the office layout, and the access with elevators and parking. That move was long overdue, and we're very excited to be in our space," she said.

She also commented on the continuing improvement of the Metrolinx transit system. This past December, several members of the community formed a united group to prevent Metrolinx from cancelling the GO Transit Bus Route 38 to and from Bolton which allowed commuters to get to and from work. With the community involvement alongside Mayor Allan Thompson, Ms. Jones and some Caledon council members, their voices were heard and the route retained. She said she plans to work on further improving the transit system, alongside several partners.

"From a local standpoint there are some local initiatives that I'm working with. With municipal leaders, I'll point to continuing working with Mayor Thompson and Metrolinx on the GO Bus service transformation. The first step was to make sure access was still there for the Bolton residents and steps three four and five are how do we ensure that more people will use the service, because the best way to ensure that it stays is that we have high rate of usage and to make sure that it is a system schedules and timing, that people can use and want to use."

She said she and her team look forward to the new year with new initiatives and goals that will come out over the course of the year.

As rotating strikes continue, Ontario government offers daily compensation for parents

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Ontario's four major teachers' unions are taking action as negotiations with the Ford government continue.

The Elementary Teacher's Federation of Ontario (ETFO), the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation (OSSTF) and the Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association (OECTA) are all taking part in standing up to the negotiations and walking off the job.

Ontario Education Minister Stephen Lecce came forward with a compensation of $60 a day for families to help pay for child care-costs incurred as a result of these rotating strikes.

"Our aim has always been to reach a negotiated settlement that keeps kids in class, which we have done successfully with multiple labour partners to date," says Minister Lecce in a previous press release. "We recognize the impact of union escalation on families is real and unions expect hard-working families to bear the costs of their cyclical labour action. While unions impose hardship on families and students, our government is taking proactive steps to ensure students remain card for – and families supported – in the event that unions decide to further escalate job action in their fight for enhanced compensation and other demands. The contrast could not be clearer."

Parents are able to gain compensation due to these on-going strikes by meeting certain criteria. Those with children up to the age of 12, or with students with special needs to the age of 21 will receive some form of compensation. Mr. Lecce confirmed that $60 a day will be provided to families whose children age 0 to 6 who are yet to be enrolled in school but go to a child care centre that is affected by the strike. $40 a day has been allocated for students in junior kindergarten to senior kindergarten. $25 a day for students Grade 1 to Grade 7, and $40 a day for students in junior kindergarten to Grade 12 who have special needs.

"Our government will continue to support parents and provide predictability during this period of union-caused uncertainty," explained Jilly Dunlop, Associate Minister of Children and Women's Issues. "We will always put families and children first."

Social media has blown up over the issue, with people on both sides of the fence expressing mixed feelings. Some Ontarians agree with the compensation, feeling it will help parents affected by the strikes, while others see it simply as a bribe from the provincial government.

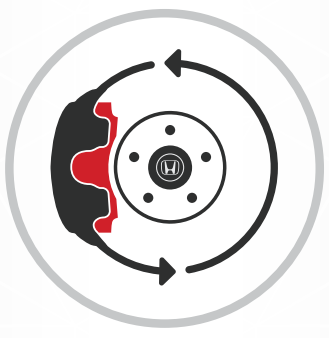
Strikes began this past Monday and plan to rotate through strikes until a negotiation deal is set in place with the province by the end of this week.

Mayor Allan Thompson hopes the matters between the Ford government and the unions are resolved soon.

"This is a matter between the Province, the teachers and their union. My hope is that a resolution can be found as soon as possible for all involved," comments Mayor Thompson.

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Caledon's Electronic Vehicle Society wants to make community 'greener'

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

With the evolving world of technology, between phones, drones, you name it, Kenneth Boker dedicates his time out of work to educating not only the community, but the world on electric vehicles.

Kenneth Boker works in IT sales during the day, and educates audiences about electric vehicles on the side.

This education and knowledge originates from the Electric Vehicle Society (EVS). EVS is a non-profit education-based organization with a board of directors, who all show passion and knowledge about electric vehicles.

The Electric Vehicle Society was established in 1994 and has over 1,500 members of EV owners and enthusiasts from all over Canada. The group boasts 13 chapters here in Ontario.

Their aim is to help individuals, and communities, to transition from internal combustion vehicles, to electric, something Boker says will bring about "tremendous benefits" for health, the environment and the economy.

Boker has been a part of EVS since May 2018 and owns his own electric vehicle, a Nissan Leaf which presents him the opportunity to experience EVs firsthand.

It all started when Kenneth took an in Tesla a couple of years ago. Tesla launched their first all-electric vehicle in 2008, the Tesla Roadster. From there, Tesla has become a leader and a catalyst to all other major car companies, who just now are following in the path of creating electric vehicles of their own

Boker worked alongside the Town of Caledon, with the help of Ward 2 Regional Councillor Johanna Downey, on establishing an Electric Vehicle Society group in Caledon.

"I think it's important to bring it to Caledon, because when I approached the Town earlier last year, I mentioned how Caledon is known to be one of the greenest cities in Ontario and with the promotion of the Climate Action Plan, I think this is a nice tie in to what they want to do," explains Boker.

The Electric Vehicle Society of Caledon is hosting their very first meeting on Jan. 29 in Southfields. The meeting is open for those who currently have electric vehicles, are interested in them or just want to learn.

Electric vehicles are slowly moving their way into the car industry. Boker sees a bright future for electric vehicles, but the market at the moment isn't right for many people.

"If we look at it purely from an environmental aspect, somewhere between 70 to 90 million vehicles were sold in 2018 globally, meaning cars, SUVs and pick-up trucks. Out of that, about two or three million were electrified vehicles, and that includes plug-in hybrids," says Boker. "We can really make a change, but we need to build more. We're not building 70 to 90 million electric vehicles a year. So, the future is, it will grow. It has to grow."

Boker also produces his own YouTube channel called 'EV Revolution Show'. With this platform of over 10,000 subscribers, Boker reviews electric vehicles and attends a variety of different car events. With this channel, he is able to broaden his audience not only within his community, but from all over the globe.

With the loud conversation of climate change and communities all over wanting to join the fight against climate change, transitioning to electric vehicles is a step in the right direction, Boker says.

The first Electric Vehicle Society of Caledon meeting will take place at 12560 Kennedy Road, Unit 5 at 7 p.m. on Jan 29.

For more information please visit evsociety.ca or check out EV Revolution Show at youtube.com/evrevolution.



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TRANSITION TO EVs: Caledon resident Kenneth Boker has launched the community's first Electronic Vehicle Society. Since taking an interest in EVs a couple of years ago, Boker has invested in an electric vehicle of his own and is committed to educating the public about the benefits of investing in EV technology.

Caledon Community Services inviting local residents to job fair, held on Feb. 6

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

Caledon Community Services (CCS) is always for the people. Whether assisting them get where they need to go through their transit system, or helping youth complete their mandatory 40 community services.

Now, the local organization is doing its part to help people in the community find employment.

On Feb 6, CCS will be allowing members of the communities to learn and gain opportunities on future employment at the Multi-Employer Job Fair.

Just under 20 different employers will be in attendance to represent their business and what possible employment they offer.

The list of employers includes: Caledon Community Services, YMCA Child Care Centres, Mount Alverno Luxury Resort, YMCA Cedar Glenn – Outdoor Centre, Lullaboo Nursery & Childcare Centre, Canadian Tire, Bright Path Kids, Amazon, CIBC, FedEx, Devil's Pulpit Golf Association, Vintage Hotels – Millcroft Inn & Spa, Select Hospitality Systems, Region of Peel, Paramed, Metre Canada Ltd., Saputo, Primerica, and Motivated Staffing

This event falls under the Jobs Caledon sector at Caledon Community Services. CCS works to assist not only job seekers, but employers too in finding the right fit.

On the CCS website, job postings are listed with criteria on whether it's a full-time position or part-time, times of shifts, a job description, where the job is located and who to contact.

Jobs listed vary from retail, to administrative, sales and food.

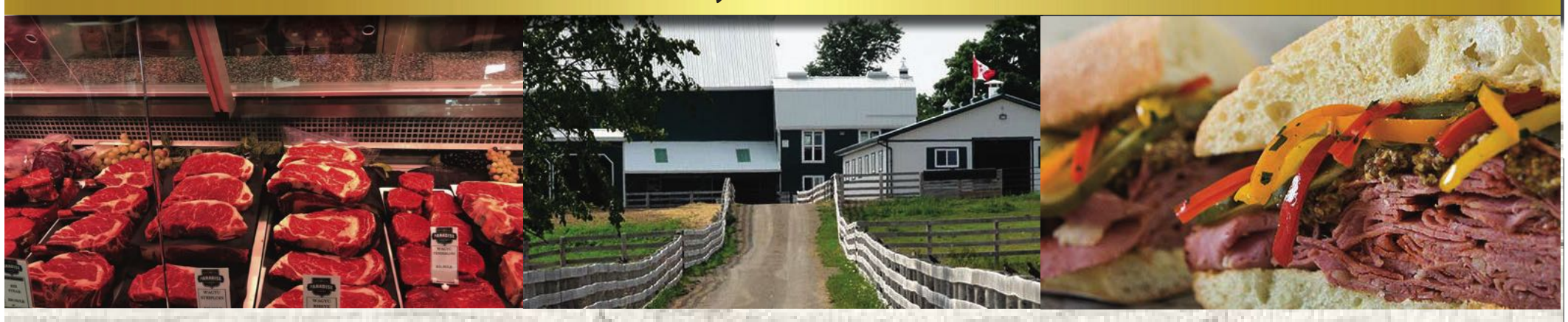
On Jan 24, Jobs Caledon is hosting an employment workshop to learn and discuss different types of resumes and how to put together a resume to perfectly fit you.

With these events and training, CCS is preparing residents to find the job that works for them while guiding them through the process.

Caledon Community Services has been hosting the Multi-Employer Job Fair for the past seven years. Recently, the organization has been holding up to three job fairs annually.

According the CCS website, "Jobs Caledon is part of the Employment Ontario integrated employment and training network, helping Ontarians to find employment and training services that they need. This hiring event will assist employers fill open positions and identify potential candidates for future roles and provide job seekers the opportunity to work locally."

The event will take place at 18 King Street East, Upper Level Royal Courtyards in Bolton. Caledon Community Services does encourage to register prior to the event. For more information and to register please call (905)-584-2300 ext. 200, or email jobs@ccs4u.org.

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Innovative Southlake procedure set Aurora resident on path to recovery



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THANKING HIS LUCKY STARS: Aurora resident Daniel Bryan was thankful for the life-saving heart procedure carried out by a doctor at Southlake Regional Health Centre, located in Newmarket

Written By BROCK WEIR

Daniel Bryan was always an active guy.

A fit teen who picked up accolades for his athletics, he did what he could to stay fit and healthy – and the diagnosis of a heart defect about 15 years ago did little to stand in his way.

More recently, however, his diagnosis of a mitral valve prolapse, a condition often detected alongside a heart murmur, left him facing a health challenge – and a crossroads – leading him to a solution flying just under the radar very close to home.

Mr. Bryan, an Aurora resident, was recently treated by Dr. Carolyn Teng, a cardiac surgeon at Southlake Regional Health Centre, one of the few experts in Ontario performing minimally invasive mitral valve repair and replacement surgery.

In many cases, a mitral valve prolapse is relatively harmless, but this past April, Mr. Bryan received a call from a local cardiology lab for a three-year follow-up. He didn't know he needed a checkup and was expecting to pass the physical with flying colours, but tests told a different story.

The disorder, which can adversely impact blood flow, was causing "severe regurgitation" that was putting extra stress on his heart, and surgery would be required to restore the balance.

"I have always been aware of heart surgery and people having big scars, and that was my initial reaction," he says. "It's not something anybody wants to have, but my attitude was, 'If I have to have it to make me healthy, so be it.' It was kind of a shock, but, at the same time, my friends kept saying I must be terrified – but I had a problem and they were going to fix me."

It was a practical attitude, but a practical question followed: just where were the resources to have this kind of surgery? At the time, Mr. Bryan had no idea the best solution was just around the corner.

At first, his cardiologist, working out of a Newmarket lab, suggested scheduling surgery at his home hospital in Kingston, but a number of referrals later led to Southlake – and Dr. Teng – coming onto his radar.

Southlake is the only hospital in the GTA to offer cardiac patients a full spectrum of treatment options for mitral valve disease. In the past, according to the hospital, the only procedure available was open heart surgery – confirming Mr. Bryan's initial concerns – but the unique two-prong approach Dr. Teng has brought to Southlake can help solve the problem with little more than a two-inch incision between the patient's ribs on the right side of the chest.

Here, the doctor accesses and repairs (or replaces) the valve using a high definition camera and specialized instruments, leading to a much faster recovery for patients.

"When I originally came to Southlake, I was hired as a general cardiac surgeon, but I did have this specialized training in minimally invasive and robotics surgery with a specific emphasis on the mitral valve," says Dr. Teng. "Then, as I was building my career, my chief of the division said, that would be something that would be beneficial to the members of our community that we start a minimally invasive program. I have been at other centres before and actually one downtown centre trying to start a minimally invasive program and I always say the reason why it succeeded here at Southlake is because we had a really good buy-in from the managers and from the administration to do something innovative that would be of some benefit to our communities.

"It really wasn't difficult once we decided that we wanted to start minimally invasive programs to do so. It required buying specialized tools to do it and through the help of our Foundation and generous donations from the community we're able to acquire the instruments that we needed to start our program. From there, we just kept on going. Really within the last few years, the program has gained momentum and we thought if we're the only place that's currently doing it in the GTA, maybe it is something we should let the people know the option exists and it is available here."

Mr. Bryan is only too happy to share his success story with the community in the hopes of not only building awareness for Southlake's cardiac program but also in dispelling some of the fears cardiac patients might experience.

"Not only was it possible for me to have the surgery nearby, but an even better surgery nearby was a big relief," he says, noting the stress having surgery far away from home can have on patients, their families and loved ones. "It makes the whole ordeal of having to deal with the surgery that much easier, knowing it is somewhere nearby, somewhere you have been to."

Mr. Bryan had his surgery at 8 a.m. on a Thursday and was out of the hospital by 11 a.m. on a Monday.

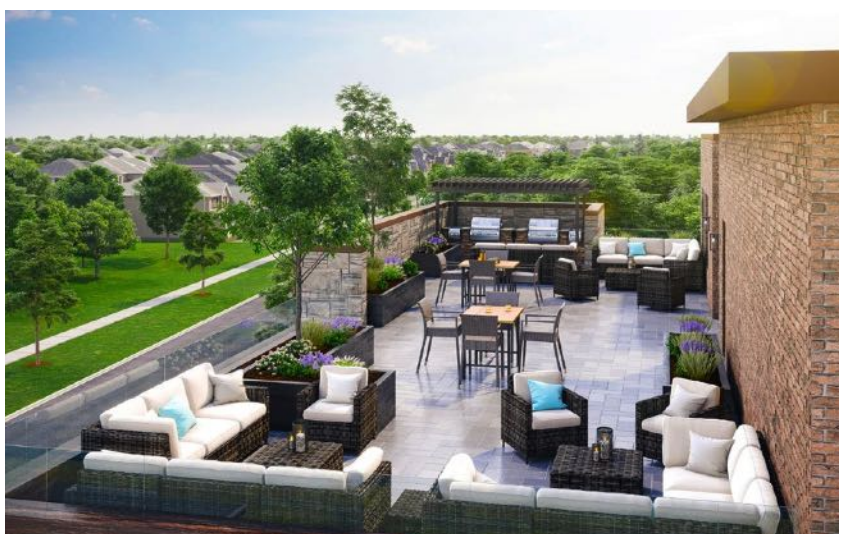
"Every day I was in the hospital there was a huge noticeable improvement over the previous day," he says.

Adds Dr. Teng: "Patients are always concerned about recovery. A faster recovery is important to them and they are concerned about the cosmetic results of the surgery, primarily because they have to live with this scar for the rest of their lives and if we can minimize that for them in any way and minimize the impact, I think it lessens the trauma of surgery in general, both physical and emotional. Being able to offer that minimally invasive surgery means the patients kind of feel a little bit more at ease about what the long-term consequences of the surgery might be."

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PHOTO: ROBERT BELARDI

WHAT A GAME: In what was a highly competitive division 2 final, the Iona Dolphins downed the Robert F. Hall Wolfpack 3-1. After an amazing season, the Wolfpack qualified for OFSAA, the provincial championships, to be held in St. Catherines in March.

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Wolfpack falls just short in Div. 2 hockey championship, qualifies for OFSAA

A shot from the Wolfpack's Justin Pulis was spilled by Hennessy. Unfortunately for the hometown team, a scramble in front of goal could not be capitalized on.

Then the Wolfpack fell into penalty trouble. A few tripping calls forced the boys to the box, however, their penalty kill came to life, holding off the Dolphins onslaught.

As the period progressed, the Wolfpack came the other way, crafting a few more chances. Despite going close on numerous occasions, neither team could capitalize on their spells of offensive domination, with the Dolphins taking a one goal lead into the third.

In this crucial third period, the Dolphins came out with a vengeance. The Wolfpack looked cumbersome. The boys seemed nervous.

The Dolphins held the Wolfpack out of their own zone for the first half of the period and forced their opponents to take on some penalties.

With over five minutes to play, John Milinkovic used his blinding speed to his advantage, to earn himself a breakaway.

The captain rifled the puck home top shelf passed DiPassio and you could sense, the end was near.

With an empty net, the Wolfpack tried to generate more offense.

Dolphins defenceman Ryder Steele put the puck in the open net from almost the full length of the ice.

The relentless Wolfpack continued playing and Nick Amato finally got the team on the board, firing it top shelf from past the hashmarks, ruining Hennessey's shutout.

A few minutes later, the final whistle blew and it was over. But, not entirely over.

After the awards ceremony, with silver medals around their necks, the Wolfpack hockey team was told a truth from head coach Mike Mattachini.

The boys are headed to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) tournament after March break in St. Catherines.

In years past at the competition, the Wolfpack have finished fourth, third and second in that order.

All that is left to earn to complete the record books, is number one.

After the match, Mattachini described how proud he was of the boys.

Mattachini said, "I've been proud of this team and in years before. We've had a program here that delivers these kids year after year. It's special and I love being a part of it."

Last season Iona made it to OFSAA and brought home the silver medal. Any time you medal at OFSAA, that school is given two bids for the next year.

"We haven't been in three years," said Mattachini, when asked when his last appearance at OFSAA was for the school.

"OFSAA runs such classy tournaments for any sporting event. It's organized. They have things for you in your dressing room in advance, they have drinks, they have food. They have a special banquet before you start. Ex-NHL'ers show up, it's a big deal. It runs for four days."

OFSAA will kick off on March 25, running until March 28.

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Seventh generation Innis to share family story at historical society event

Written By ALYSSA PARKHILL

On January 29, The Caledon East & District Historical Society is presenting The History of the Innis Family Farm, put together by Mattison Innis.

20-year-old Mattison is the seventh generation to carry on the Innis family history in Caledon. She currently attends a 36-month program at the Niagara Parks School of Horticulture in Niagara Falls and lives on the family farm in Caledon East.

Mattison Innis has always been interested in her family's background. Living on the original farm, and being surrounded by her family's history, has given her the opportunity to ask questions and learn about their past. She has grown up hearing the family stories, but it all began in elementary school, when a family history project really sparked her interest.

She started her own research and investigation by asking her great-grandmother, Hilda Innis, to tell Mattison some of her stories relating to the background of the Innis family.

"It's something that always interested me. I knew my great-grandma Hilda was very big on the family history so it was nice to talk to her and hear some of her stories," explains Innis. "When we had to do a project on our family tree, that's when I started asking questions about stuff and I just kept wanting to know more."

Mattison loves history and always has. She is attracted by everything that has a history. She says she gets that from her great-grandma Hilda. Hilda would always tell the family tidbits of history. They are sorry they did not record everything she said, as those stories went away when she passed. Mattison believes it is important that we know our roots. This is her way of carrying on Hilda's stories, and honoring her memory and passion for family heritage. She feels that if we don't speak their names and tell their stories, who will know who they were and what they did.



FILE PHOTO

LONGTIME ROOTS: Seventh generation Mattison Innis will share her families rich history in Caledon at a special event at St. James' Anglican Church on Jan. 29.

"My great-grandma actually compiled a book with a lot of family stories and some of them I'm going to share. I will talk about the process of moving from Adjala to Caledon East, and the stories that surround that time. We're going to get to know about all the ancestors, as well as the extended Innis family," says Mattison.

James Innis born 1806 migrated from Scotland to New York. After working in the United States for sometime, he made his way to Adjala, Ontario. He is listed as a pioneer settler prior to 1837. In the early 1900s James' son Robert moved to the farm on Mono Road, where the Innis family still reside. There are currently three generations living on the farm, and pretty much always have been at least three generations over the years. Innis Lake was originally part of the farm.

Mattison added, "I am so happy to do this presentation as it is an important part of the history of the Caledon. Innis' have been a part of this community for a very long time, and I think it's important that their stories are shared so that they are still here for the new generations."

Amongst much of the youth of today, the past is not recognized as super important, Mattison indicated. Being in her early 20s Mattison is something of a bright light, as one of her generation who recognizes the importance of history and sharing it with others.

"I feel like a lot of young people don't focus on history. But, in my family, where we live together on this farm, surrounded by stories and objects that have been passed down through seven generations, we realize that it's important that people remember the history because it explains why and how we are here today," expresses Innis.

The Executive of the Historical Society is particularly pleased to be able to present the story of the Innis Family, but even more excited about having someone of Mattison's generation be such an integral cog in telling this story. After all, Mattison was born in 2000, the year Settling the Hills came out, the first published history of Caledon East and district. As a side note, Mattison's great-grandmother Hilda was a member of the Society at that time.

The presentation will take place on January 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the St. James Anglican Church on Old Church Road in Caledon East. All are welcome.

Hundreds enjoy annual Fire and Ice Festival, that brings winter fun to Alton Mill

Written By BRIAN LOCKHART

The annual Fire and Ice Festival at the Alton Mill certainly lives up to its name. There was plenty of both on a snowy, blustery Saturday.

The January 16 snowfall just added to the atmosphere as visitors played hockey, took in the ice sculptures, watched the blacksmith in action, and slid down a toboggan slide.

When the sun went down the bonfire was fired up and everyone gathered to see which shape it would take this year.

There was plenty of indoor activities as well with artists and musicians in the gallery along with some presentations.

It was a good turnout of people who took advantage of the wintery day. Many people arrived from out of town to enjoy a small-town winter event.

"This our eleventh year," explained organizer Jordan Grant, who along with his family owns the mill. "It goes back to when we finished the reconstruction and the second phase here. This is the Fire and Ice festival and part of the festival is the Mill Pond Hockey Classic. Our blacksmith came all the way from Owen Sound. Most of our ice carvers are local. They are some of the people who work in wood, then work in ice during the winter. The event goes all day and into the evening as well. We have what we call the fire sculpture. It's more than just a bonfire. It sort of unveils itself as it burns. It's different every year."

This year the Hockey Classic had to move on to solid ground in front of the Mill. The recent mild weather meant the pond didn't freeze over enough this year to make skating safe.

That didn't stop the hockey game from getting underway and players enjoyed shooting the puck on the outdoor rink.

The annual event draws visitors to the town from many other towns and cities in the region.

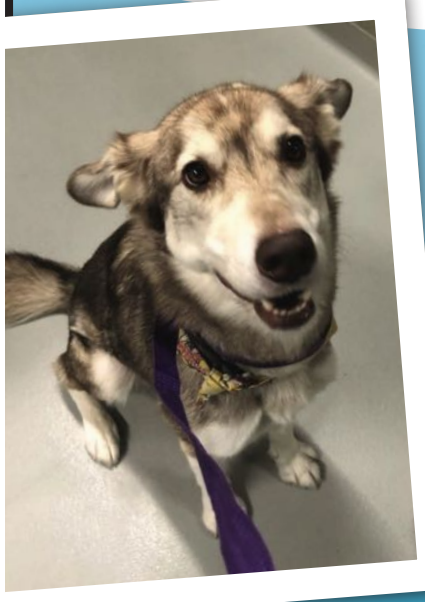


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WINTER SPECTACLE: The annual Fire and Ice Festival took over Alton Mill this past weekend. On Saturday, hundreds of local residents braved the weather to check out everything the winter spectacle has to offer. Pictured above, one gentleman takes a chainsaw to a block of ice, moulding it into a one-of-a-kind piece of art.

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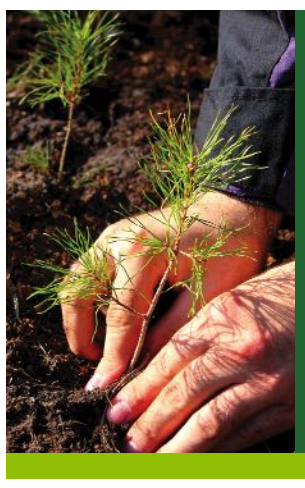
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Just for today, maybe the world will be better

"Just for today, SMILE a little more. Just for today, ask someone how he or she is really doing. Just for today, remember, while some may have it better than you do, there are others whom definitely have it worse than you! Just for today, just let go, just for today."

James A. Murphy III

Just for today I want everything to be right in the world.

Just for today, I want the world to take a long, deep breath, in light of the recent tragedy and loss of lives on Flight 762.

We should continue to pray for the families who lost loved ones in the "accident" that claimed 176 lives. It will take a long time for everyone to heal, if they can ever fully recover.

In King, and across the country, communities are coming together and pulling together to help those who are left to pick up the pieces.

Just for today I hope that hearts will mend and the outpouring of sorrow and tears will wash away the sins and perform some sort of deep cleansing.

Just for today, and tomorrow, let there be peace. Let conflict between Iran and U.S. be set aside. Let Iran, Canada and other countries work together to find answers and maybe prevent something similar from ever happening again.

Since Iranians dominated the passenger list on Flight 762, let that country come together in some sort of unity, embracing peace and letting go of hatred.

In the course of my career, I've come across many tragedies and accidental loss of life. This one is different in many ways. No, it's not the first time innocent civilians paid the price in conflict. It's not the first time the proverbial ripple effect has landed in our laps.

But it is the first time that so many families, so many young people, were lost, in one decisive moment, in a split second.

Just for today, maybe we can extend our hearts to those impacted by this event. Any gesture is meaningful if it comes from the heart.

Just for today, maybe we should all cherish just what we have, knowing that it can all be taken away in a flash. Many of us have suffered a personal loss, but few can sympathize with this one. Nevertheless, we should know that we're all human beings, mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters, sons and daughters. Regardless of religion or race, we all feel and we all grieve.

Just for today, how about being a little nicer to our fellow men and women? A smile, as James mentioned above, often goes a long way. How about holding the door open for someone, or buying them a coffee? How about doing a good deed, without expecting anything in return?

Here's something to consider:

If someone were to pay you 10 cents for every kind word you ever spoke and collect 5 cents for every unkind word, would you be rich or poor? Come on, be honest!

Personally, I am sick and tired of being skeptical, frustrated and pessimistic. Just for today, I would like to place my unquestionable faith in my brothers and sisters. Just for today, I won't be angry or worried or stressed. I will be filled with gratitude, do everything honestly and be kind to everyone and every living creature.

We tend to let our "yesterdays" take up too much of our "todays."

That's simply self-sabotage and we can't keep living that way. We are living today, right now, in this moment. We literally made thousands of decisions and moves to get to this place. No amount of guilt will change anything. Now that we're here, what do we do? Well, we can breathe slower, take a walk and think about absolutely nothing. We can keep calm and not overthink anything.

And, if "today" was perfect, would we even need "tomorrow?"

Many of these sentiments and motivational expressions are used by recovery groups to help individuals with addictions. But if you think about it, our society is addicted to a certain way of thinking and behaving, some of which is negative, hateful, painful and ultimately destructive. Maybe the entire world needs a 12-step program to get back on the straight and narrow.

We can't stand on the street corner and drag everyone into self-help programs or pop-up confessionals. We can't espouse prophesy standing on milk cartons on the sidewalk.

But what we can do is begin to live better, strive for better and preach better. If hatred is so contagious and easily spread, why not make love the new hate? Why not include just a little bit of compassion in everything we do?

I honestly believe most of us try to live decent lives and do what we can with what we have. Sure, we all want more for our love ones. And there's the key. We must be good role models and the epitome of goodness, if our children are to carry the torch forward in a productive way. Like many human conditions, we have to turn the tide, stem the negativity and by word and by action, inch toward change.

I get it, not everyone can donate, volunteer or lead missions abroad. Not everyone can contribute financially to every worthy cause. But we can be receptive, supportive and help spread the word. We can use our words and our muscles to affect change.

"Blessed are the pure in heart ..."

Just for today, I would like to see God wipe the tears from the eyes of the world's less fortunate, the sick and the impoverished.

Just for today, could we have a moratorium on the senseless deaths of the children around the world? We have the power to cure many illnesses, so why not use it?

The world isn't perfect, mainly because we're imperfect. But if we all made a mental list of our "just for today" wishes, maybe some will come true.

Editorial

Arbitration the only way out

WITH WHAT PASSES as its Christmas break not scheduled to end until February 18, the Ontario Legislature is not in a position to deal with the impasse between the Ford government and the province's four teachers' unions.

In the circumstances, it's rather strange that we have not heard calls from anyone for emergency sittings to deal with the problem, especially when we recall that Premier Doug Ford ordered an emergency session just one month into the government's four-year mandate to pass a law cutting the size of Toronto's city council almost in half.

Could it be that neither the governing Progressive Conservatives nor the New Democratic opposition are willing to look at arbitration, the only fair and realistic means of ending a battle whose main victims are the students?

As we see it, all unions see collective bargaining as the only fair means of achieving labour agreements, and governments that once favoured arbitration have come to see it as too costly and usually favouring the unions.

However, when you reach the point where there are no current plans for contract talks with any of the four unions and no one is willing to budge from their current positions, there is little reason to believe that the parties are capable of achieving a compromise.

Additionally, both sides are clouding the issue by failing to agree even on what the sticky points really are. Premier Doug Ford and Education Minister Stephen Lecce portray the dispute as mainly a money matter, with the unions wanting double the one per cent annual wage increases targeted by the government.

And with no negotiations currently taking place or planned, the unions' response has been escalating job actions, with one-day strikes and a refusal to do such things as fill out full report cards and supervise extra-curricula activities.

One point everyone should agree on is that any form of job action by teachers, while supposedly against the employer, is inevitably going to have students and their parents as the victims.

In the circumstances, we think the only issue should be what type of arbitration is the most appropriate means of achieving a just resolution.

One option would be to give the arbitrator the relatively simple task of choosing between the final positions of the two parties.

In such a complex matter, 'final choice' arbitration would inevitably leave one side more than a little disappointed.

The other option would see the dispute resolved by someone with an unimpeachable background and/or unchallenged experience in arbitrating complex issues.

In this case, two persons might fill the bill. If the parties preferred someone with long judicial experience, they might consider John I. Laskin, son of former Chief Justice Bora Laskin, who retired in 2018 from the Ontario Court of Appeal.

But if they wanted someone with long and sucessful experience as an arbitrator they could choose George W. Adams, who left the Ontario Superior Court in 1997 to found ADR Services Ltd., a Toronto-based firm offering Alternative Dispute Resolution.

Should either course require provincial legislation, the new law should give the arbitrator a period of 30 days during which he or she could make a final attempt at mediation. If that failed (as it most certainly would), he or she should ask the parties to codify their final positions.

While the arbitration might well involve increasing the government's 2020-21 budget beyond what is currently planned, it would also give the government an opportunity to postpone its promised budget-balancing exercise.

And it would cut the cost involved in promising up to $60 a day to parents for daycare costs forced upon them by the rotating strikes.



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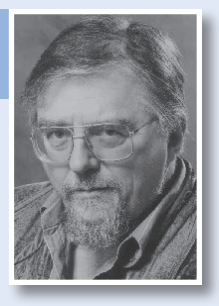
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Putin the immortal

GWYNNE DYER
OUR WORLD TODAY



Five years ago somebody posted photographs on the internet showing a man who looked a lot like Vladimir Putin in photographs from 1920 and 1941. In both shots he was in military uniform, defending the interests of the Russian people then as he still does today.

But how can this be? He wasn't even born until 1952. So the wave of faux speculation starts that Putin is an immortal hero who returns at intervals to save Russia. Or maybe just that he's an immortal vampire. At any rate, he'll be around forever. It was nonsense then, and it's nonsense now.

Last week the Russian president announced a wave of constitutional reforms, and the vast majority of foreign observers, especially in the West, immediately jumped to the conclusion that Putin is changing the system so that he can stay in power forever.

Twenty-five years in power (his current term as president expires in 2024) is not enough for Putin, the foreign pundits insist. He can't risk leaving power, they explain, or Russians would start asking where his vast illicit wealth came from. And then the pundits spin off into lengthy tirades about how he is Evil Incarnate, even comparing him to Stalin.

Joseph Stalin, who ruled the old Soviet Union from 1924 until his death in 1953, was a mass murderer without a conscience. Nobody was safe from his paranoia: he even killed most of the other heroes of the Bolshevik Revolution. He was probably responsible for the deaths of ten million Russians.

And Vladimir Putin? Here's Simon Tisdall, columnist and former foreign editor of The Guardian: "Like Stalin, (Putin) has made many enemies and caused untold misery .... cronyism and corruption on a vast scale ... military aggression and disruption abroad. .... Again like Stalin, retirement is not a safe option for the ex-KGB spy who normalised assassination as a modern-day tool of state policy."

Where to start? Perhaps with the obvious point that Stalin killed tens of thousands for every death that can be attributed to Putin. Moreover, corruption in Putin's Russia is far less than it was in the 1990s under the first post-Communist president, the Western-backed Boris Yeltsin, a drunken puppet who made ordinary Russians cringe.

'Military aggression and disruption abroad'? Guilty as charged, in the illegal restoration of Crimea to Russian control (though most people in Crimea welcomed it), and in backing anti-government rebels in two provinces of eastern Ukraine.

But there is a litany of Western invasions and military interventions (Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, Serbia, Syria, Yemen) that didn't meet the highest legal standards either, and had equally messy outcomes. Nor do Western governments lag behind on the assassination front.

More importantly, Russia's western border is a thousand kilometres east of where it was in 1914. It is a minimum of 300 km east of where it was as recently as 1991. Putin has not challenged that new frontier once (with the partial exception of Ukraine) in 21 years in office. You could have a much more frightening and disruptive person than Putin in the Kremlin.

The old KGB was a ruthless organisation, but also a rational and realistic one. Putin is a man steeped in that tradition, not an adventurer or a fantasist, and we should probably be grateful for that. So what are the odds that he will still be running things after 2024?

He will be 72 years old in 2024: definitely time to start thinking about what happens after he's gone. And I'm going to make a bold assumption here: that he is a Russian patriot.

Being Russian means that he fears disorder above all else: Russians sometimes call themselves "Italians of the North", and they don't mean it in a good way. So he wants a strong state, run with a firm hand, even after he has retired, which means that a clear and orderly succession is very important.

However, living on under somebody else's firm hand is not an attractive prospect for Putin. He may or may not have fabulous sums of stolen money tucked away – the evidence for that is unclear – but you make a lot of enemies in a quarter-century in power, and they could hurt you badly after you have relinquished it.

So what Putin needs is a position that gives him the final constitutional say when big changes loom, but lets him withdraw from the daily exercise of power. Something like the chairmanship of a strengthened State Council that can overrule both president and prime minister when necessary (but does so very rarely).

And lo! That appears to be exactly what he has in mind. The details of his proposed reforms are not yet clear, but a weaker president, a stronger prime minister, and a State Council presiding serenely from afar are all part of the package.

I'm not saying that's what will actually happen, but I think it's what he'd like to have happen.

DoFo's doling out the cash

SHERALYN ROMAN
TALK CALEDON



In a move that's right up there with "Buck a Beer," Doug Ford has once again come up with a brilliant strategy, this time for resolving the looming crisis in education. What's the plan? Does it involve finally allocating much-needed funds to stop the overcrowding of classrooms or to pay ERW'S a living wage that includes danger pay? Is it to adequately fund high schools so that your child (who hopes to attend university) will actually be able to take the courses he/she/they require? Nope – the plan is this: "DoFo's Day care Dole-out!" Be wary of the fine print however, where it clearly and unequivocally states: "teacher's need not apply."

To recap, let's see if we can keep this straight. Mr. Ford, by way of Mr. Lackey (oops, I mean Mr. Lecce – darn computer just seems to auto-correct to Lackey) claims there just isn't any money left in the government coffers to pay for education. Yet, according to various articles and news outlets, a recent announcement by the provincial government suggests it's willing to pay up to $48 million PER DAY, to refund parents who are out of pocket for day care expenses due to teachers strike action. According to an article in the National Post, that money is coming from the $60 million per day being saved by the government as a result of not having to pay teachers wages while they walk the picket lines. I'm certainly no mathematician but dare I suggest that whether you take some of that $48 million, or even just $12 million (the difference between $48 million and $60 million) and apply those funds towards decreasing class size, increasing course options and providing for more ERW's and ECE's in the classroom, it would go a long way to alleviating the need for a teachers strike (and therefore the day care dole out) in the first place.

In making these funds available, Jill Dunlop, the Associate Minister of Children and Women's issues comments "We will always put families and children first." I find this claim lacking in credibility. If indeed the government was putting families first, would the focus not be on the longer term goal of supporting an education system that functions well because class size is manageable, a wide-range of high school course choices exists and students with special needs are adequately supported? Whether I receive "up to" $60 per day to cover child care expenses is a short term gain potentially causing longer term pain if I am left with a child who flounders in an oversized, underfunded classroom or whom is unable to acquire the necessary mandatory classes to graduate.

I wonder too, who is "policing" the requests for this funding which, after only day one, numbered over 33,000. What paper work is being completed? What proof do families have to supply? I'd love to say that I researched this information but there must be another 33,000 families currently attempting to apply online because every time I tried to log in to the system it was unresponsive. What is responsive? Well, certainly I marvel at the responsiveness of the government in quickly setting up a website for the day care dole-out, creating an online and paper-based application process and even a toll free line for parents to call with questions. Then again, if they're not busy sitting at the bargaining table, I guess they have all the time in the world for this "extra" work.

Last April, speaking on the John Oakley show, Doug Ford had this to say about the teachers union: "the union thugs, as I call them, the teachers' union, (is) one of the most powerful unions in the entire country. There's finally a government with a backbone that wants our kids to start learning math." I rather think Mr. Ford, that in trying to "break" this union you dislike so much, you're losing sight of the fact that the only way our children are going to actually learn math is by being IN the classroom. You're the one who needs the lesson. Please use some of your so-called "savings" to adequately fund the classrooms you want our children to learn math in. Then we won't need your day care dole-out, just like we didn't need your "buck a beer" either.



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Caledon OPP arrest driver passed out behind wheel in live traffic

On Thursday, January 16th, at approximately 10:48 p.m. uniformed officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) responded to a reported traffic hazard in the area of Charleston Sideroad and Highway 10 in Caledon.

Information was received from multiple callers that a motorist passed out behind the wheel of a vehicle in a live lane of traffic at Charleston Sideroad and Highway 10. Several concerned citizens attempted to wake up the driver as the vehicle appeared to be in a "Drive" position, however, they were unsuccessful as the vehicle was locked.

The officers attended the scene and immediately secured the vehicle from moving any further. The driver was investigated for drug consumption, and was placed under arrest.

The driver was transported to the Caledon Detachment, where he was assessed by a Drug Recognition Evaluator.

As a result, Ryan Burke, 28, of Essa, has been charged with the following offences:

- Operation while impaired, and
- Possession of a schedule I substance - heroin.

The accused is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on February 6, 2020 to answer to the charges.

Caledon OPP would like to thank the citizens for their assistance and commitment to keeping our roads and community safe.

Charges laid in Hwy 10 crash

On Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at about 4:08 p.m., officers from the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Caledon Detachment received a call for a collision involving a motorcyclist in the area of Highway 10 and Forks of the Credit Road in Caledon.

Information was received that a motorcyclist lost control of his bike while travelling southbound of Highway 10 and crashed into a ditch. Further investigation showed that another vehicle, a black SUV, was also involved in the collision.

The driver of the motorcycle was transported to a hospital with serious injuries.

As a result of the police investigation, the above-mentioned driver, Cory Maxworth, 26, of Shelburne, was arrested and charged with the following offences:

- Operation while impaired;
- Operation while impaired - blood alcohol concentration 80 mg plus;
- Dangerous operation of a motor vehicle;
- Fail to comply with probation order;
- Operation while prohibited under the Criminal Code;
- Driving while under suspension;
- Fail to apply for permit on becoming owner;
- Drive motor vehicle, no currently validated permit;
- Drive motor vehicle, no plates, and
- Operate a motor vehicle without insurance.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville to answer to the charges.

Charges laid in fatal collision on Shaws Creek Road

On Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at approximately 4:40 p.m., officers from the Caledon Detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) received a call of a single motor vehicle collision on Shaws Creek Road, North of Highpoint Road in the town of Caledon.

Four passengers and the driver were transported to a hospital with non-life threatening injuries. One of the passengers, Malik Singh, a 19-year-old male, of Brampton, had succumbed to his injuries sustained in the collision.

As a result of the police investigation, the driver of the vehicle, Palwinder SINGH, 20, of Toronto, has been charged with the following offences:

- Dangerous operation causing death, and
- Dangerous operation causing bodily harm X four counts.

The accused is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on February 20, 2020 to answer to the charges.

Anyone with information regarding this collision is asked to contact the Caledon OPP Detachment at (905) 584-2241 or toll-free at 1-888-310-1122.

You can also provide information anonymously by contacting Peel Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or online at www.peelcrimestoppers.ca. When you contact Crime Stoppers you stay anonymous, you never have to testify, and you could receive a cash reward of up to $2,000 upon an arrest.

Dates for child car seat clinics in Bolton

Using a child car seat is the best way to protect kids when traveling by car. Child car seats can greatly reduce the risk of a potentially fatal injury, especially for babies but also for toddlers. Yet many safety seats are used incorrectly. The best car seat is not always the most expensive one - it's the one that best fits a child's weight, size, and age, as well as your vehicle.

Every month the Caledon OPP Auxiliary Unit holds a Child Car Seat Clinic at Caledon Fire & Emergency Services Station 302 located at 14002 Highway 50. The entrance to the clinic is off of Cross County Boulevard.

The clinic runs from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. by appointment only. Please call the Caledon OPP Detachment at 905.584.2241 to book an appointment.

Future Car Seat Clinic Dates in 2020:

- Tuesday, January 28th
- Tuesday, February 25th
- Tuesday, March 31st
- Tuesday, April 28th
- Tuesday, May 26th
- Tuesday, June 30th
- Tuesday, July 28th
- Tuesday, August 25th
- Tuesday, September 29th
- Tuesday, October 27th
- Tuesday, November 24th

Another impaired driver arrested

On Tuesday, January 21st, at approximately 5:08 p.m. uniformed officers from the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) Caledon Detachment responded to a reported motor vehicle collision in the area of King Street and Dixie Road in Caledon.

Information was received that a sedan rear ended a flatbed tow truck, causing heavy front end damage to the sedan. There were no injuries reported at the time.

Several independent witnesses came forward, advising that the driver of the sedan was seen driving recklessly prior to the collision.

As a result of the police investigation, the driver of the sedan was placed under arrest for Impaired Operation by Drug, and transported to a police facility for further tests to be conducted by a Drug Recognition Evaluator.

Onkar Dhugga, 63, of Orangeville, has been charged with:

- Operation while impaired - alcohol and drugs,
- Driver fail to surrender licence.

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

The accused is expected to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Orangeville on February 6, 2020 to answer to the charges.

'Poor behaviour' at root of most snowmobile fatalities

With Snowmobile Safety Week underway this week, the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) has released a ten-year data report on snowmobile fatalities, which officers hope will encourage snowmobilers to avoid the recurring behaviours that contributed to the majority of the incidents over the past decade.

During the past 10 snowmobile seasons (2009-2019), the OPP has investigated 175 snowmobile fatalities throughout the province. Among the findings in the report, excessive speed, loss of control, driving too fast for the conditions and ability impaired by alcohol were listed as the top contributing factors. In fact, alcohol was involved in almost half (45 per cent) of the deaths.

Another compelling fact is that almost half (45 per cent) of the snowmobilers who died were traveling on frozen lakes or rivers at the time of the incident. The circumstances that led to the deaths include intentionally driving onto open water (puddle jumping/water skipping), breaking through the ice and collisions with other snowmobiles and natural landmarks. (See complete data graphic below).

"Whether you are a beginner or seasoned snowmobiler, it is important to avoid all manner of risk while enjoying the thousands of kilometres of diverse, scenic snowmobile trails Ontario has to offer. Maintaining control of your snowmobile at all times and never making alcohol or drugs part of your ride will go a long way to keeping snowmobilers and their passengers safe this season," said Vijay Thanigasalam, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation

COMMUNITY events

*This column is provided as a free public service to non-profit organizations to announce up-coming events. Please contact the Caledon Citizen **editor@caledoncitizen.com**, call **(905) 857-6626** or **1-888-557-6626** if you wish to have an announcement published.*

The Electric Vehicle Society "Caledon" Chapter is holding their inaugural meeting on Wednesday January 29th 2020 at 7:00PM. Location is the Town of Caledon Parks & Recreation SouthFields Village Storefront, 12550 Kennedy Road, Bldg. A-Unit 5 in SouthFields Village, Caledon.
We are a non-profit group advocating for electric mobility. Whether you're new to EVs or you've owned one for years, we welcome you! We invite anyone to come out for our free meeting and learn more about the Electric Vehicle Society and the world of electric cars!
For more info, you can check out our National Website at www.evsociety.ca.

Traditional Robbie Burns Supper,
Saturday, January 25, 2020. Doors open at 5:00pm
St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Hillsburgh. $35.00 per person
Festivities begin with the piping in of the haggis at 6:00pm followed by a traditional Scottish meal of cock-a-leekie soup, beef & sausage pie with 'neaps & tatties' and decadent sticky toffee pudding!
After the meal, we'll enjoy a little Scottish entertainment.
Contact Helen / Ted (519) 855-6597 to order tickets.
Or email Standrewshillsburgh@outlook.com
Call today, seating is limited.

Caledon East & District Historical Society
Wednesday, January 29, 2020 – 7:30 p.m.
St. James Church, Caledon East
Speaker: Mattison Innis
The History of the Innis Family Farm
Visitors $5. All welcome.

Sunday, February 2, 2020, 3:00 p.m.
Caledon Chamber Concerts presents the Venuti String Quartet. This concert replaces the one that was cancelled last October. The concert takes place at St. James' Anglican Church, Caledon East. Tickets are $35 for adults and $15 for students 16 years and under, and will only be available at the door. Season ticket holders may use their ticket from the October concert. For more information or to reserve tickets call 905-880-2445.

Monday, February 10, 2019
Albion Bolton Historical Society will hold a brief AGM prior to the February club night. Speaker Jim Jones, a local resident, will talk about "rejuvenating Ontario's living fences". If you know of someone who may be interested in this topic, please invite them along. Meeting starts at 7.45 pm at the Albion Bolton Community Centre, 150 Queen Street, South. Room C. 2020 memberships due. Questions: Nathan 905-584-2801

Thursday, February 13
Bolton and District PROBUS Club presents: Elke Scholz, MA. Registered Psychotherapist and award winning author of Loving Your Life and Anxiety Warrior series. Her books will be available for purchase after her presentation. Albion Bolton Community Centre, 9:45 a.m. main auditorium. All are welcome, refreshments will be provided.

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Caledon Meals on Wheels (CMOW) Seniors Social and Wellness Programs (55+) is an interactive, fun and educational program held weekly at no charge: Monday at 35 Victoria Crescent, Mono Mills 1:00 – 3:00, Wednesday at the Cheltenham Baptist Church, 14520 Creditview Road, Cheltenham 10:00 - 12:00, Friday at Palgrave United Church, 34 Pine Avenue, Palgrave, 9:30 – 11:30.
Bolton Banter Toastmasters meet every first, third and fifth Thursday at the Albion-Bolton Community Centre at 7 p.m. Lose your fear of public speaking and build leadership skills. Everyone welcome. Email info@boltonbanter.org or visit www.boltonbanter.org

An evening of euchre is held the first and third Friday of the month at Terra Cotta Community Hall. Play will start at 7 p.m. sharp. The cost is $3 per person, and proceeds raised will go to the operation of the hall. For more information, contact John or Cheryl at 289-344-0033.
Cardball will be played at Caledon Seniors' Centre from 10 a.m. to noon.
Darts will be played at Caledon Seniors' Centre from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

Caledon East Seniors Club #588 meets every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. at the Caledon Community Complex, Caledon East. Everyone is welcome for an afternoon of friendly euchre and lunch. For more information, call (905) 951-9376.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ON 1344 Bolton Real Life. Real People. We're a non-profit group which meets weekly on Wed. evenings in the basement of Bolton United Church. Weigh-in is from 6:30PM followed by a meeting at 7:00PM. The annual fee incl. a semi-monthly magazine is $48 and monthly dues are only $15. What do you have to lose? Get started now! We promote healthy eating and your first meeting is free. Come join us! For more information call Marion at 905-857-5191 or Lorraine at 905-857-1568.

Wellness, Interaction, Social and Exercise (WISE) is a health promotion and social program for seniors (55+) happening at Cheltenham Baptist Church 14520 Creditview Rd. Wednesday mornings. Low impact exercise/falls prevention session starts at 10 a.m. with regular programming with refreshments following. Call 905-857-7651 for more

Make Valentine's Day memorable this year by taking your special date, friends or family to dinner and dance!
Last year's event was fantastic…the hall was decorated in a party atmosphere and a party it was! We had some guests who danced to every song! Tickets at $100 pp, available now through boltonrotary@gmail.com, include Italian-inspired plated dinner service, DJ Dave Puzzo from Dolce Entertainment, OPEN premium bar, silent auction….net proceeds from the event go to Caledon Female Hockey Association.



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Daniel Koehler bringing Buddy to life in OMT's Elf Jr.

Written By CONSTANCE SCRAFIELD

"My role in Les Mis was Lesgles at Mayfield Secondary School. It's a minor role; he has a few lines."

We three were seated in a local coffee shop: Caledon resident Daniel Koehler, whose next foray is to star as Buddy in Orangeville Music Theatre's production of Elf jr , showing at the Opera House this weekend, January 24 to 26, his mother, Ruth Koehler and ourselves for the Citizen. Tucked up with coffee, tea and an attractive-looking hot chocolate, we took on Daniel's background, philosophy and the upcoming production of Elf jr.

"For the Inn Keeper scenes," he told us, "there was no choreography really – just do your own thing. In one of the shows, I went around and picked up three pints and drank them all at once.."

The talk turned, briefly but interestingly, to the Koehler family's travels last summer.

"We went to Asia" – they passed the tale between mother and son - "Hong Kong, Malaysia, Thailand, Cambodia, for two and a half weeks. We did a hop-on and hop-off airplane to see it all.

"What we learned was that there's a lot of different cultures and we can't do the plane thing. But we're going on a cruise for March Break. There are lots of kids to meet on a cruise then."

Our initial interest in meeting Daniel for this interview was the very warm praise given by the Director of Elf jr., Tesha Mazur, in his role as Buddy

His comment about the millieu in which he excels, "comedy changes – society changes and the way people like their entertainment. So, comedy must be merged with another style of drama. I like good, honest comedy. Comedians are meant to make you laugh – that's why I like to hear when comedians and comedies do well, like Jojo Rabbit.



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BORN TO PERFORM: Caledon youth Daniel Koehler is hoping to one day make it as a mainstream actor. Until then, the high school student is building his resume by performing in a variety of local productions. Check him out this weekend, as he brings Buddy to life in Orangeville Music Theatre's production of Elf Jr., playing at the Opera House from Jan. 24

"When Elf jr first went out, it faded into obscurity – Elf the musical lasted two months. I'm in Mayfield's rep program. I never took a drama class. I'd rather take and hone my craft, myself. Mayfield is completely different. Discipline is not really an issue – I think everyone there understands – [for Les Mis] we were off-score fairly soon – songs are easier to memorize – so, it wasn't too difficult. I think everyone was really excited."

Ruth Koehler took on the conversation to talk about Daniel as a child. "He always was enthusiastic about performing. At six years old, he created a play – had all his stuffed animals arranged and then did the play himself – a one-man [child] show. He sang O Canada at the Opera House in grade six."

Convinced of his potential, Daniel's parents sent him to Alton Public School, an arts elementary school, where Daniel was in Peter Pan, Zeussical jr and, most significantly Lion King, in which he played Scar.

"That was the most interesting and fun villain," he remarked. "I was in 11 shows at Alton."

There then popped up some important news, to wit: "Mayfield is entering the Ontario Festival/National Theatre School with a one-act play, written and produced by the grade 12 students, a drama. I auditioned and got in. I'm playing the part of Flynn and he gets a huge crush on a girl. He proposes with a song. It's a secondary character but is in most scenes. Like Chip in Beauty and the Beast."

We speculated about the future and he offered, "I really hope acting is in my life. I checked, though, and there's only 30,000 that have made it to be famous actors out of the millions of actors...

"i just want to be in as many productions as possible to fill my resumé."

However, "I try to stay in the present as much as I can. I used to think about the future – sometimes, you just need to let the sun rise, you know it's going to set eventually. I found this philosophy has really helped. Instead of worrying if I'm going to become a musician, I just play my piano. It's really just become a hobby. It's better learning like that if I'm going to audition for music/jazz in the next few years."

He said, "I like intense acting a lot, more to convey so much emotion that the audience has that 'wow – what just happened?' I love that.

"But comedy makes people feel better. With Buddy [in Elf jr], the moments evoke funny- some of the ideas I've had – some of the ideas Tesha's had make it so funny."

About coming to see Elf Jr, "Buddy takes up most of the show - I have one break – four minutes – I need to keep up the momentum throughout the entire show. Every rehearsal, every song, I keep trying to bring the energy up. When you hear me on stage, I completely change my character for Buddy. Also, it's funny.

"Somebody worries you're going to flinch at the acting but, in comedy, you know you're going to have a good time when it's called Elf jr. This is my sixth show with OMT.

"Why come? You don't see that many comical musicals- you're gonna want to come here to laugh and see cute kids."

OMT's production of Elf jr is on at the Opera House, this weekend from Friday, January 24 through to Sunday, January 26. For tickets, go towww.orangevillemusictheatre.com/tickets.

'The Psychic' a sensational success at Blackhorse

Blackhorse Village Players "The Psychic" is a thrilling murder/mystery/comedy where characters team up and pull the wool over the audience's eyes in a fascinating whodunit. If that's confusing, it will all come clear in the final scene of this enthralling play.

It could only be done by the likes of some of the best talents that frequent Blackhorse Village Players: there is Vince Ursini as Adam, an author who writes so repetitively characters regularly end up murdered and found in the same illegally parked space. Ursini slides smoothly into a role that emphasizes the trials and tribulations of a wannabe-best-seller. He's on the hunt for murder and mayhem, but twists in the plot will lead to hilarious and totally unexpected happenings. It is no wonder he ends up moonlighting as a psychic.

Never are the twists more believable than in a rewrite enacted by a troubled and "edgy" Laura Benson (Jane Bolton), sarcastically doubting, but in search of Adam's psychic powers.

What happens next belongs to Morris Durante, as the gangster Johnny Bubbles. Durante brings out the best in every scene, abetted by the murder of Laura's husband, Roy. (Mark Hayward) Hayward's performance sets Adam's plot into motion, careening into suspects galore, each with different stories, different plots, and different endings.

Then there's Rita Malone (Jenn Burns), who brings out the best in Bubbles. She's slinky, she's fresh, she's scantily dressed. Burns spices the role with a flash of humour, fun, and glamour.

Director and Producer Margaret Phillips with assistant director Susan Jalbert, knit together a plot with such twists each role dabbles in facts that veer off on a tangent of fiction. Expressions mean as much as dialogue; an inviting glance, a tip of the hat, a sudden appearance onstage, add as much as the dialogue that multiplies the success of a scene. "The Psychic" is, fittingly, something sensed as much as performed, and in every way it spells success. See for yourself; view "The Psychic" at Blackhorse, playing now till February 2nd. Call 905-880-5002 for ticket information.

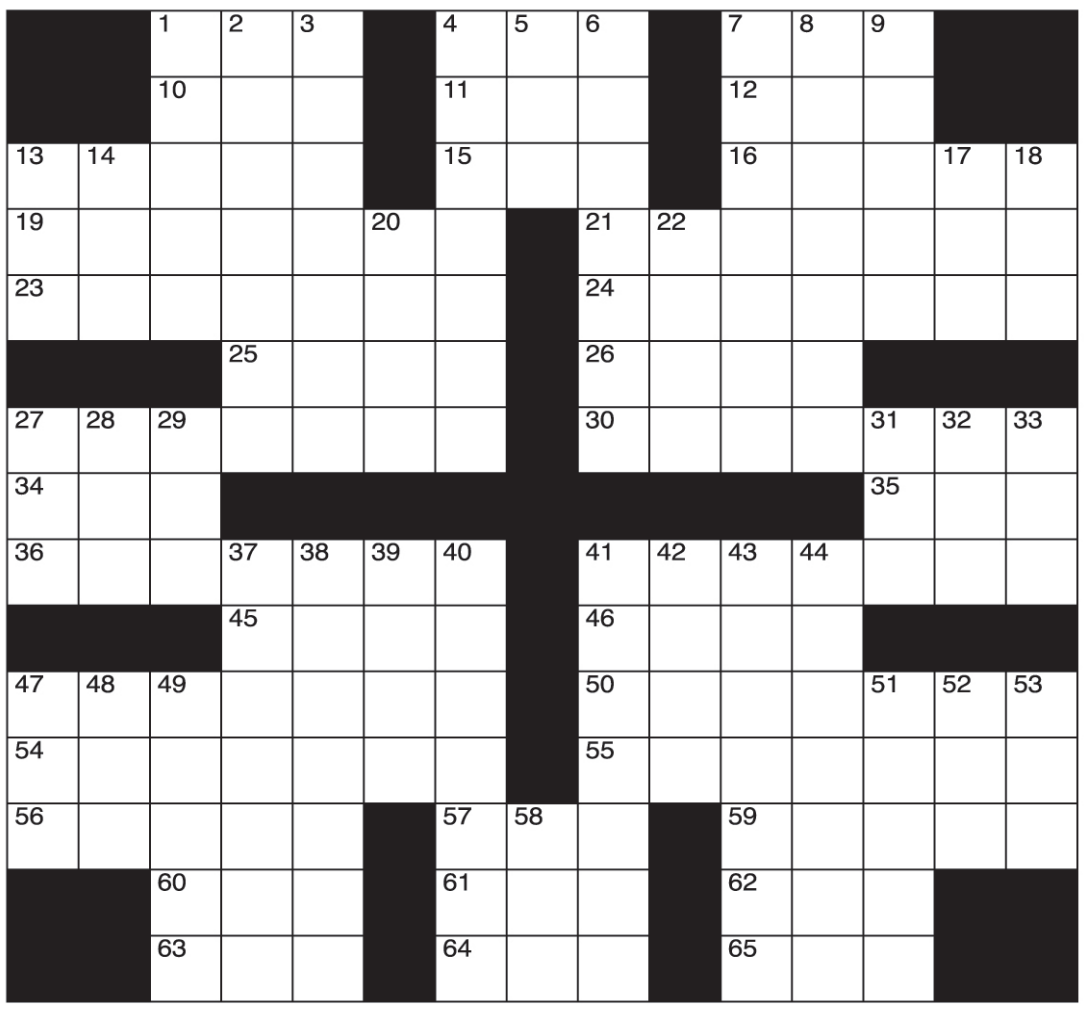
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1. Public broadcaster
4. Hit lightly
7. Keyboard key
10. Grain
11. Make a mistake
12. To the __ degree
13. Endure without complaint
15. Chinese-American actress Ling
16. Edible stomach lining
19. Sunrooms
21. Feared
23. Most eager
24. Excessive chatting session
25. MLB ace
26. Major Central European river
27. Muscular weaknesses
30. Where seedlings germinate
34. Former monetary unit of the EU
35. Personal ads
36. Mythical animal
41. Members of Orthodox Jewish sect
45. German city
46. Algerian coastal city
47. Military men
50. Salt of sulfuric acid
54. Rhododendrons
55. Mixture
56. Recommended quantities
57. 007's creator
59. Men
60. Kids need it
61. Midway between east and east-northeast
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63. Yes vote
64. USDA branch that manages the FCIC
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1. English seaport
2. What's owed
3. Sound systems
4. Elections feature them
5. Southern constellation
6. London and Brooklyn are two
7. One-time Ugandan capital
8. Attacked with bombs
9. Rebuke
13. Expression of disappointment
14. A way to work the soil
17. The human foot
18. Sun up in New York
20. A small island
22. Abnormal rattling sound
27. Make lively
28. A team's best pitcher
29. It goes on the floor
31. Not good
32. Peyton's little brother
33. Barrier that holds back water
37. Move quickly
38. Deteriorate with age
39. Colorless crystalline compound
40. Cheekier
41. Expresses praise or joy
42. Famed boxing promoter
43. Cured sausages
44. Fill with air or gas
47. Angry
48. Chemistry prefix
49. Practitioner of Jamaican religion
51. Softly bright or radiant
52. Buffer solution used to separate nucleic acids
53. First responder group
58. Defensive nuclear weapon

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

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Here are five simple steps to greatly improve storage options at home

Homes are getting bigger, but it seems like people are still lamenting a lack of storage space.

National Public Radio says the average American home has nearly tripled in size during the last 50 years. Despite that, 10 percent of Americans still need to rent off-site storage, according to a report in the New York Times Magazine. Self-storage facilities are one of the fastest-growing commercial real estate segments, and the Self Storage Association says there are more than 50,000 storage facilities in the U.S. alone. The commercial real estate company CBRE, Ltd., says there are roughly 3,000 self-storage facilities across Canada, and 65 to 85 percent of self-storage tenants are residential users.

Improving storage at home can be a cost-effective alternative to renting storage space. With these easy tips, homeowners can maximize space immediately.

Utilize track storage systems: Closets may be plentiful, but if not efficiently utilized, space may still seem lacking. Track closet storage systems often make greater use of closet space than traditional shelf and hanging rod systems. Customizing closets using track systems or other modifications can improve utility of all closets in the house.

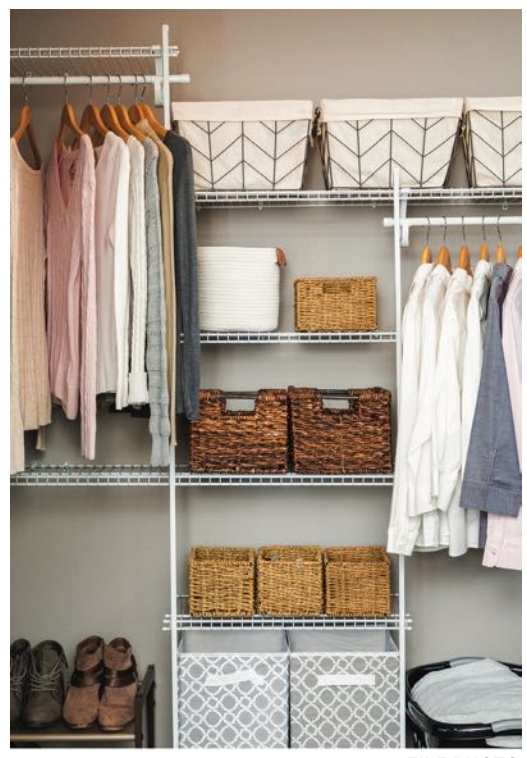
Invest in storage beds: Storage beds typically feature cubbies or drawers within a platform-style bed frame. It's a practical home storage solution, and does not require any building.

Think vertically: Maximize spaces by looking up and down for storage possibilities. Items that are not used frequently, such as seasonal decorations or travel suitcases, can be stored in high spaces. Shelving on walls can go as high as necessary and be put to use in awkward wall areas, such as in corners or under eaves.

Recess drawers or shelves: Gain more storage by recessing a chest of drawers into what is called the "knee wall" of homes that have sloped ceilings in attics and upstairs bedrooms. Utilize these short walls in an efficient manner by sinking drawers or shelves into them, without taking up floor space.

Rafter shelving: While in the attic (or a garage), add hanging shelves to rafters or exposed beams to create off-the-floor storage as well.

These are just a few of the handy ways to improve the interior storage space in a home.



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HERE'S AN IDEA: Some forward thinking ways to improve storage options in your home.





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PUT IN THE WORK: Five ways that renovating the exterior of your property can help to increase its valuation.

Exterior renovations that can help to improve home value

Renovating a home to improve its value can be a smart investment. Interior improvements, such as updating kitchens and baths, offer good return on investment, but there are plenty of exterior renovations that can add value to a home and give it that coveted "wow" factor.

Landscaping: Abundant and well-planned landscaping can instantly boost curb appeal. According to the landscaping company Lawn Starter, 71 percent of prospective home buyers say a home's curb appeal is an important factor in their buying decisions. As buyers use the internet to look for their dream homes, there's no denying a beautifully landscaped, nicely photographed property can entice buyers to click and read more about a house.

Address insects and minor repairs: Improving home value may come down to fixing areas of the home that can negatively affect its appeal to buyers. Hire an inspector to look at key components of the house and recommend what needs to be fixed. This way it is discovered before home buyers come in and do their own inspections. Termite infestations, deteriorating roofs and hidden water leaks are some things that might need fixing.

Improve the entryway: The front door is the focal point of a home's exterior. Invest in a new door or paint it a striking color to add appeal. Remodeling magazine's "Cost vs. Value Report 2019" indicates changing an entry door to a steel replacement can offer 74.9 percent ROI. Such a door provides visual appeal and added security - things buyers look for. In addition to the front door, make sure that the entryway has a level walkway, steps that are in good repair, accents that are free from rust or tarnish, and decorative plants.

Outdoor lighting: Outdoor lighting can add to the ambiance of a property and serve as a security feature. Utilize different lights, such as a bright light by the entry, uplighting in trees and shrubs for drama, a light-lined path to the door to improve visibility, and motion-detection lights to improve the security of the property.

Repaint (or reside) the exterior: A fresh coat of paint or new (or cleaned) siding can instantly give homes a facelift. Neutral, warm and inviting colors tend to have the widest appeal. Adding manufactured stone veneer to the home can offer a 94.9 percent ROI, says Remodeling. And after doing the front door and siding, investing in a garage door replacement offers the highest ROI of all exterior projects listed on the "Cost vs. Value Report 2019." This improvement returns 97.5 percent when selling.

Knowing which improvements add value to a home can help homeowners tailor their efforts to those that are most financially beneficial.

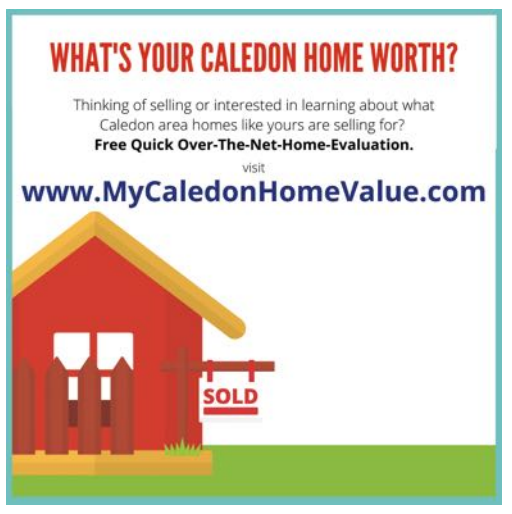


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Expensive home repairs that can sink budgets quickly

A home is the most substantial investment many people will ever make. Once down payments have been made and closing costs have been paid, homeowners may still be staring down sizable expenses as they begin to tackle any repairs that need to be made.

Home maintenance and renovations involve a certain measure of trepidation. Even after vetting contractors and establishing budgets, homeowners may worry that repairs will unearth problems that snowball into expensive fixes. Planning ahead for such projects and learning to recognize issues that tend to be costly can help homeowners weather any storms that may arise.



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KEEP ON TOP OF THINGS: As a homeowner, you have a responsibility to maintain your house. Here are four key issues to watch out for.

· **Foundation issues:** A strong foundation is key to any home. If there is a problem with the foundation, it can be unsafe to live in the house. The foundation repair company Foundation Experts advises that foundation fixes can range from $4,000 to upward of $100,000 depending on the scale of the job. Clogged gutters and water pooling around the foundation can contribute to damage, so water issues must be remedied first.

· **Roof damage:** A roof is a key barrier between the indoors and outdoors. Roofs must remain in tip-top shape. The home improvement resource HomeAdvisor says that a roof repair or replacement can cost between $3,000 and $12,000. But homeowners also must budget for the cost of removing the old roofing materials and fixing any damage to the interior of the home. Inspecting the roof and making repairs as you go is key to avoiding a big headache.

· **Siding replacement:** Another costly project can be replacing the siding. Siding may need to be replaced if there is water/wind damage or penetration from insects. Spot repairs may be relatively inexpensive. However, the home improvement resource Modernize says the average siding installation project can cost between $5,500 and $15,000 depending on the materials homeowners choose.

· **HVAC update:** Keeping a home at a comfortable temperature is also a matter of safety. If a system gives out, homeowners may be scrambling for a solution. Yearly inspections and upkeep, which includes changing system filters regularly, can help identify potential problems. Neglect is one of the main contributors to the failure of heating and cooling equipment. Based on national averages, a whole-house HVAC system can cost between $4,000 and $12,000.

These are some of the more costly repairs homeowners can expect. Keeping on top of the home will help mitigate damage and could extend the life of major home components.

Which of These Costly Homeseller Mistakes Will You Make When You Sell Your Caledon Home This Spring?

CALEDON - A new report has just been released which reveals 7 costly mistakes that most homeowners make when selling their home, and a 9 Step System that can help you sell your home fast and for the most amount of money.

This industry report shows clearly how the traditional ways of selling homes have become increasingly less and less effective in today's market. The fact of the matter is that fully three quarters of homesellers don't get what they want for their homes and become disillusioned and - worse - financially disadvantaged when they put their homes on the market.

As this report uncovers, most homesellers make 7 deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars. The good news is that each and every one of these mistakes is entirely preventable. In answer to this issue, industry insiders have prepared a free special report entitled "The 9 Step System to Get Your Home Sold Fast and For Top Dollar".

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Reminder about Peel's winter garbage exemption period

The Region of Peel reminds all residents that the winter garbage exemption period is from January 27-February 7, 2020.

During the exemption period, remember to put your extra garbage out only on your garbage collection day, not on your recycling collection day.

There is no maximum amount of acceptable <http://www.peelregion.ca/waste/garbage#garbage-acceptable-items> garbage (check our website for a full list of items) that you can put on the curb. Garbage bag tags are not required during exemption periods.

Excess garbage cannot:

- Weigh more than 20 kg (44 lbs).
- Be larger than 66 cm (26 in) wide and 90 cm (35 in) high.
- Be smaller than 30 cm (12 in) wide and 30 cm (12 in) high.

Put your excess garbage close to but not on top of your garbage bins, leaving at least 1 m (3 ft.) of clear space between your extra garbage item(s) and your bins.

Residents are also encouraged to check their collection calendar or sign-up to receive free weekly collection reminders by email, text message, or phone call.

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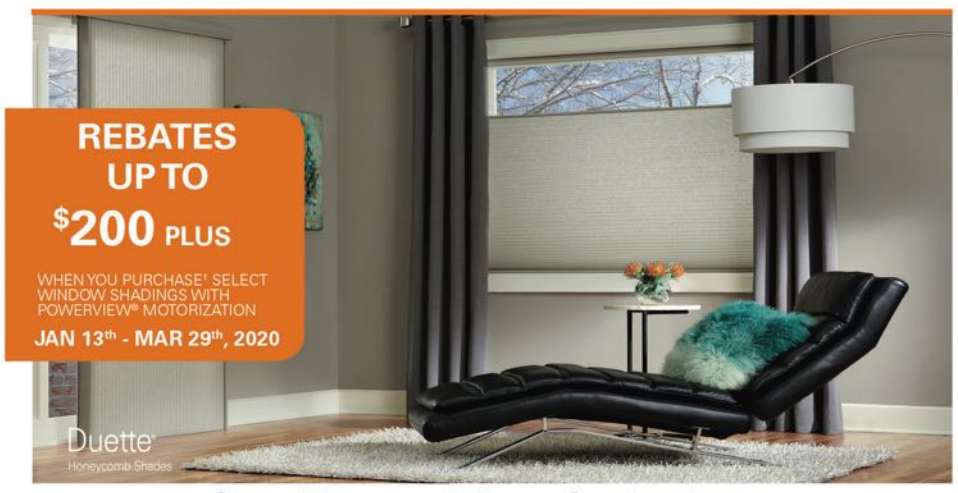
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Average Days on Market	47	38	37	+24%
Active Listings	142	190	2851	-25%

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	Inventory	Sales	Supply
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Market Status

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Golden Hawks end tough week with big win over Siskins

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

The Caledon Golden Hawks ended a tough three game stretch this week with a 10-3 victory against the Stayner Siskins on home ice.

Before that game, the Golden Hakws traveled to Stayner's home ice last Thursday (Jan. 16). This is the first time these two are meeting each other, since January 10th's trade theatrics.

The Golden Hawks acquired Deaglan Small from the Siskins. After some confusion, long story short, former captain and son of head coach Stan Kondrotas, Darius Kondrotas, left to play with Stayner with Vito Sica and Jake Semmens.

Entering this game with a whole lot of tension, Vito Sica scored two goals to stick it to his old club. Darius Kondrotas recorded three assists.

In response, Deaglan Small scored one goal of his own.

Aside from the drama, the Golden Hawks power play was efficient once again, scoring three times that evening.

With a date in Alliston the next night against the Hornets, it was prudent the powerplay remained hot and the Golden Hawks brought forward their A game.

In six games against the Hornets, the Hawks have yet to defeat the first-place team in the North Carruthers division.

The boys trailed by five mid-way through the final frame. With such a slim chance at a comeback, Keegan Hoover scored on the power play and Adam Magliozzi followed. The team outshot the Hornets 12-11.

In the final game of the week, the Golden Hawks welcomed the Stayner Siskins back to Caledon East Arena, with something to prove in front of the home crowd.

The power play was one of the story lines once again. Alex Rasanen got things going with a power play goal. Siskins forward Matthew Maidens tied things up assisted by none other than Kondrotas himself.

Following the goal, Hawks forward Wesley Weir and Siskins player Joshua Harrison were given 10-minute misconduct penalties for inciting an opponent.

With hostility oozing throughout the building, the boys in yellow added to their lead. Alex Mourani scored near the end of the period and just under a minute later, Daniel Butt added another goal.

To say the floodgates opened in the second period would be an understatement.

Brennan Laverty opened up the scoring in the second and Deaglan Small added one of his own for 5-1 lead early.

Tanner Hicks put one back on the board for the Siskins. Deaglan Small was ejected shortly after for a head shot and earned himself a suspension to boot.

Tanner Hicks added a second to give the Siskins life. The Golden Hawks planned to take that away.

Nathaniel Mott and Marc Bottero took over the game from the second period up until the end. Mott scored two goals, one on the power play and Bottero cruised to a hat trick in this 10-3 drubbing.

Weir was ejected for his second misconduct and Sica was ejected as well.

Stan Kondrotas urged that this victory does not mean everything is solved.

He said, "I don't want to get too overwhelmed. There have been a lot of emotions. At the same time, we can't look at that one game and think that we figured things out we got work to do still."

"We got bounces for the first time. We earned them though. They deserved to win and it was nice for our team to stick it to the guys that left."

If the Golden Hawks players are unwary, this matchup could get even more intense as the playoffs come around.

As the league standings would suggest, these two clubs would square off in the first round of the playoffs, prompting the climax of this story to reach its heights; and fast.

The Golden Hawks travel to Penetang on Friday and host Midland on Sunday. Puck drop is at 7:00 p.m. in Caledon East.

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The Golden Hawks took a heavy defeat to the Alliston Hornets at the New Tecumseth Recreation Centre on Friday, January 18. Junior C hockey in the region is playing out the last few game of the regular season schedule. The Hornets are leading the Carruthers Division of the Provincial Junior Hockey League with 68 points - 19 points ahead of the second place Orillia Terriers.

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Kate Hancock leads Mayfield past St. Aloysius Gonzaga before exams

Written By ROBERT BELARDI

Mayfield Secondary School defeats St. Aloysius Gonzaga 1-0 in division one girl's hockey last Thursday (Jan. 16).

Both teams headed into this contest seeking out a victory before diving into their textbooks for the next few weeks.

Both teams were shorthanded for this bout.

In the first period, Mayfield came out strong and were awarded an early goal.

Emily Ignagni sprung into Gonzaga's zone and ripped the puck past goaltender Mireille Kingsley off the post and into the net.

"I know this goalie is really good, I actually play against her in my own league, so I wanted to get a lot of shots on her. Before the game we were saying to the whole team that we need to get shots on her," Ignagni said.

Following the goal, Gonzaga settled into the game and showcased their style of hockey.

Andrea Murray and Kalie Chan were elusive with the puck in the offensive zone, creating defensive issues. In response, Mayfield's plan forced Gonzaga's attack out wide towards the boards, trying to limit scoring chances.

Before the end of the frame, Mayfield's Alyssa Borgati's nifty pass across the face of goal was a hairline off the stick of Tasha Godin, who was close to adding to the lead before the end of the frame.

At the beginning of the second period, goaltender Kate Hancock held Mayfield's lead.



PHOTO: ROBERT BELARDI

GAME WINNER: Emily Ignagni enters the zone and rips a shot off the post and in for the game winning goal in the first period.

A few moments in, Maria Losev threw the puck on net. The rebound fell to Chan who batted the puck out of mid-air, only to meet the glove of Hancock, who shifted across the goal to make the spectacular save.

In this teeter-totter matchup, Mayfield came back the other way firing pucks at Kingsley who denied all opportunities and limited rebounds.

In the third period, following the first save, Hancock subsequently was forced to keep Gonzaga out multiple times in front of her goal.

Kingsley responded in this affair, with a save of her own on alternate captain Carly Gout in transition.

In the dying seconds of the third period, Gonzaga sent forward an extra attacker.

Mayfield cleared the zone almost scoring a goal from their own end into the empty net. The final buzzer rung and Mayfield hung on for the victory.

Ignagni described what the team thought about Hancock's performance today.

"The whole team was just in awe, on how amazing she was. I couldn't believe how many times she put her glove up. It was unreal. She kept us in the game, she is the reason why we won the game," Ignagni exclaimed.

Head Coach of Mayfield, Jon Forbes, was pleased with the performance and explained the premediated approach to every game from his team.

Forbes said, "We preach aggressiveness and that means a quick start, always. We always want to be the aggressor. We never want to sit back. Anytime that there is a tough opponent, we want them on their heels not us on our heels. That's all it is."

Since losing to St. Marcellinus in the first game of the season 4-0, the girls have retaliated with four straight wins, scoring 17 goals in total.

The next game is on Thursday, February 6th on the road against Heart Lake Secondary School. Puck drop is at 2 p.m. at Jim Archdekin Recreation Centre.



FTP luncheon to mark 2020 International Women's Day

International Women's Day (IWD) on Thursday, March 5, is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women — while also marking a call to action for accelerating gender equality.

This year, Family Transition Place (FTP) is doing something a little different to celebrate IWD at their annual International Women's Day Celebration Luncheon.

In acknowledgement of the 35 years that FTP has been providing safety, support and hope and educating this community about healthy, violence-free relationships, FTP will be showcasing the achievements of women who have "challenged stereotypes, fought bias, broadened perceptions and improved situations" during those same 35 years, right here at home.

This year's luncheon is proudly presented by RBC and Royal LePage RCR Realty. FTP relies on the support of all of its sponsors for the success of this event; their ongoing involvement is truly valued. In addition to FTP's 35th anniversary milestone, this year also marks the 10th anniversary of this particular event; one of FTP's signature fundraisers. All funds raised through this luncheon will be used to support FTP's important programs and services.

"IWD celebrates the advancements of women the world over — this year, we chose to look closer to home," said FTP Executive Director, Norah Kennedy. "We are so very grateful that presenting sponsors RBC and Royal LePage RCR Realty are back with us again; their support has assured the success of this event for many years. I can't wait to share this event with everyone!"

FTP's International Women's Day Celebration Luncheon will be taking place on March 5 at the Best Western PLUS Orangeville Inn & Suites. This positive-energy event hosts 300 individuals who are there to network, support FTP and celebrate women. Guests attending the event will also have the opportunity to shop at the Vendor Marketplace for unique finds, and enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Gourmandissimo Catering.

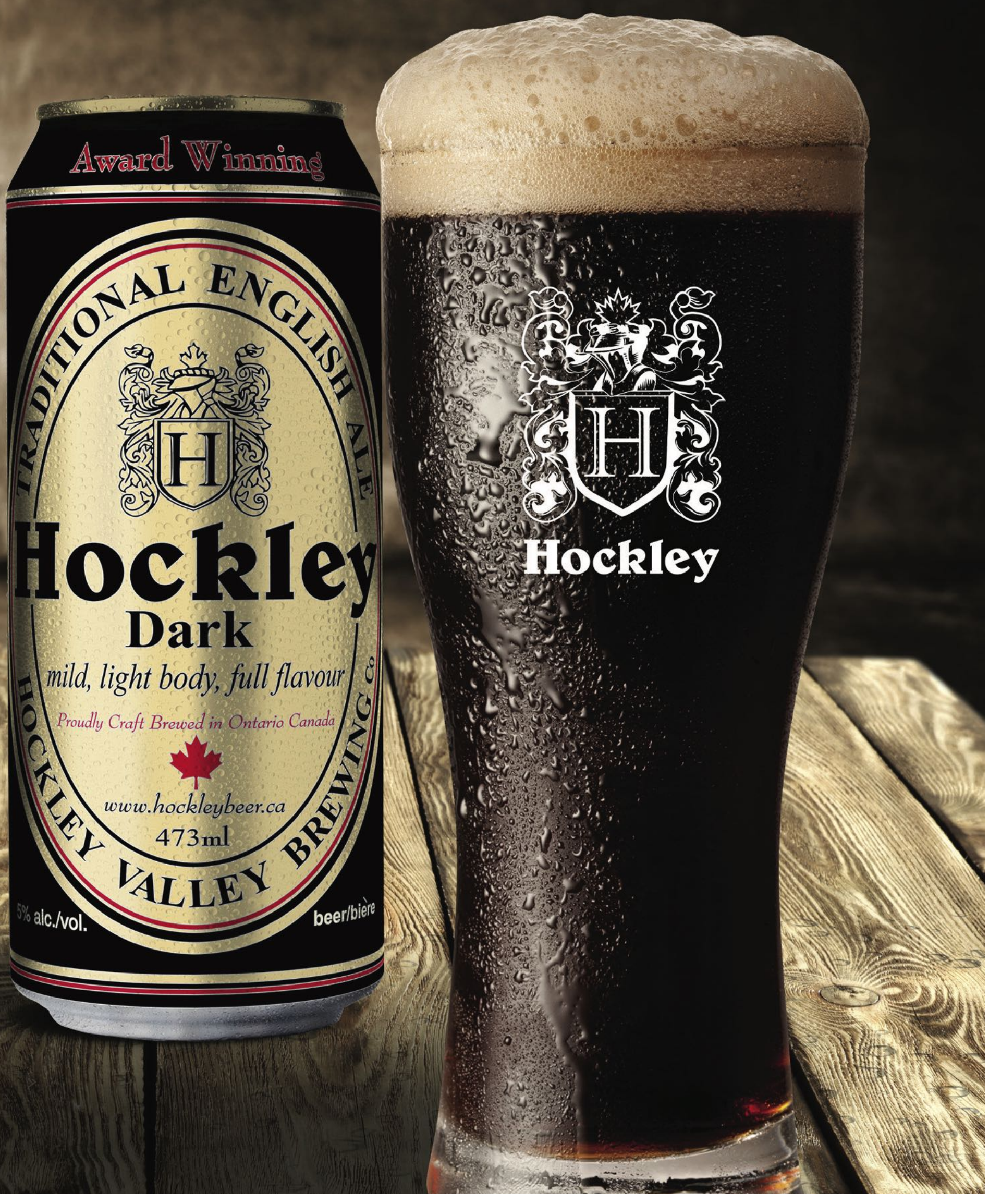
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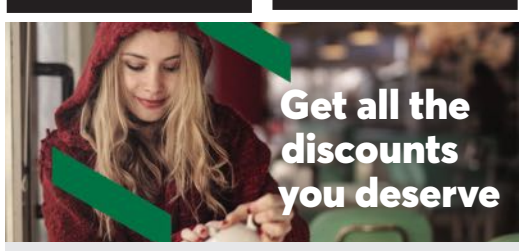
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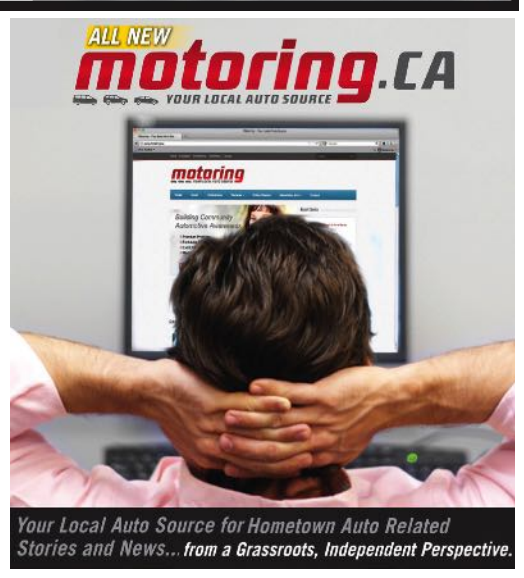
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CHURCH, Ida Augusta



November 13, 1933 – December 28, 2019

Peacefully on December 28, 2019, we lost Ida at her home at Chartwell Montgomery Village in Orangeville.

She was an amazing wife to retired lawyer, Robert, and an amazing mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister and friend.

Ida was born in Toronto to Lancelot and Laurene Montgomery but moved as a small child and was raised in St. Lambert, Quebec on the banks of the St. Lawrence River.

She lived a full and wonderful life, and the most important thing in that life was her family. She was also passionate and very talented at painting. In her youth, she was quite an athlete, particularly at swimming and even helped pace Marilyn Bell in part of her training for the latter's historical swim across Lake Ontario. As an adult, Ida coached girls' hockey, skied, and had a love of horses. She enjoyed travelling and was fortunate to see and enjoy a multitude of countries over the years, as well as enjoying many cruises in different areas of the world.

Ida was a memorable force who touched so many peoples' lives, and those who were fortunate to have crossed her path, will forever treasure her loving spirit, and her zest for life.

A private service was held for Ida following cremation.

Donations in Ida's name to the fires in Australia would have made her very happy. Please make those donations to WIRES (Wildlife Information Rescue and Education Services) or to a charity of your choice.

HERON (NEE MARSHALL), Kathleen Mary Louise

Passed peacefully from complications of Alzheimer's Disease. She was a fierce supporter of family, women's rights, and social justice, and sang at every opportunity to spread love and bring people together. Survived by her husband Chuck; children Alex (Gina), Eric, Dan (Jennifer), Emily (Devon), and grandchildren Ava, Cole, Sophie and Barrett. Kathleen was a 25 plus year member of Orangeville Show Chorus (Sweet Adelines), co-owner of Kids Can Do and an active member of Westminster United Church and its two choirs.
Visitation will be held at Westminster United Church, 247 Broadway, Orangeville on Friday, February 21, 2020 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m and February 22 1:00 p.m. and after the service. Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at Westminster United Church, 247 Broadway, Orangeville, Ontario. Memorial donations would be welcome to Family Transition Place or Westminster United Church renovations.
A tree will be planted in memory of Kathleen in the Dods & McNair Memorial Forest at the Island Lake Conservation Area, Orangeville. The annual dedication service will be held on Sunday, September 13, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.dodsandmcnair.com

KINDREE, Roger M.

Roger M. Kindree died on January 3, 2020, after losing his battle with cancer. He died at home, with his family at his side, exactly according to his wishes. He is survived by his wife Louise, daughter Lisa, son-in-law Mark Parekh, and beloved grandson Brennan; two brothers Jim and John (Lorena); and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Roger taught High School in Etobicoke and Orangeville. In retirement, he greatly enjoyed golfing with friends and family, travelling extensively around the world, and volunteering with the Disaster Management Team of the Red Cross, Theatre Orangeville, and the Orangeville Blues and Jazz Festival. Roger will be remembered for his daily jokes (some good and some groaners!) and willingness to lend a hand.
In lieu of flowers, donations to Theatre Orangeville or Headwaters Health Care Foundation would be greatly appreciated. A Celebration of Roger's life will be held on Saturday, February 1, 2020 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at *Dods & McNair Funeral Home, Chapel & Reception Centre*, 21 First St., Orangeville
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Little, Marion Louise (nee Reburn)



Passed away suddenly with family by her side on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at the age of 86. Beloved wife of 65 years to the late Leslie. Loving mother of Robert, Darlene (Bruce) Clark and Thomas. Grandmother of Tanya (Chris) Rentsch, Mitch (Drew) Clark and Amanda Clark. Great-grandmother of Max, Simon, Clara, Liv and Harper. Predeceased by her parents Stanley and Martha; brother Bert and her sisters Bernice (Morris) Stone and Jean (Frank) Paget. Dear sister-in-law of Ruby Elver and Helen (Frank) Denton. The funeral service was held in the Jack & Thompson Funeral Home Chapel on Monday, January 20, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. Friends and family were received at the Royal Canadian Legion, Shelburne (front hall) on Monday, January 20th from 1-5 p.m. Spring interment at Shelburne Cemetery. If desired, donations to the Dufferin Oaks Auxiliary or MS Society would be appreciated.
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ROWLAND, Willa

Peacefully on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at Headwaters Health Care Centre, Orangeville, in her 95th year, now back in the arms of her best friend and loving husband Hillis (2010). Mom's contagious laugh, humour, wit and smile will be dearly missed by her family, Gayle Fysh (Don), Jim (Bente), Brent (Wendy), and Dan (Nancy); grandchildren Adam Fysh (Robyn), Jordan Fysh (Kelly), Caitlin Fysh (Bryan), Jennifer, Stephanie, Kelly, Connor, and Natalie Rowland; great-grandchildren Felix, Wilfred, Dylan, and Ryker Fysh.
Lovingly remembered by her many friends at Mayfield United Church, Meals on Wheels, Book Club, Car Club, Bridge and Euchre Clubs and her very special friends of 65 years or more Grace, Joanne, Edna, Jack and Anne to name a few. A special thank you to Lord Dufferin Centre and Staff who showered her with love and to Dr. Sachelli and Headwaters Hospital and Staff for their compassionate care. The family received their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S. (Hwy. 50), Bolton (905-857-2213) Monday afternoon 2 - 4 and evening 7- 9 o'clock. Funeral service was held in the chapel on Tuesday, January 21 at 2 o'clock. Spring interment Boston Mills Cemetery. For those who wish, in lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Mayfield United Church, Canadian Diabetes Association or a charity of your choice.
Condolences for the family may be offered at www.EganFuneralHome.com

STRONG, Henry Albert

Peacefully, surrounded by his family, at Headwaters Health Care Centre, Orangeville on Thursday, January 16, 2020, Henry Albert Strong, Bolton, in his 82nd year, beloved husband of the late Iris Strong. Loving father of Donna Strong (Martin Bowers), Trenton; Stephen Strong (Linda Young), Bolton; Denise Strong (Brad Nelson), Toronto. Cherished Grandpa of Nelson Strong. Dear brother of Margaret Norris, Alliston and predeceased by Sadie Morrison. The family will receive their friends at the Egan Funeral Home, 203 Queen Street S. (Hwy. 50), Bolton (905-857-2213) Thursday evening 6 - 9 o'clock. Memorial service will be held in the chapel on Friday, January 24 at 2 o'clock. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Headwaters Health Care Foundation, 100 Rolling Hills Drive, Orangeville L9W 4X9 or the Lung Association, 401 18 Wynford Drive, Toronto M3C 0K8.
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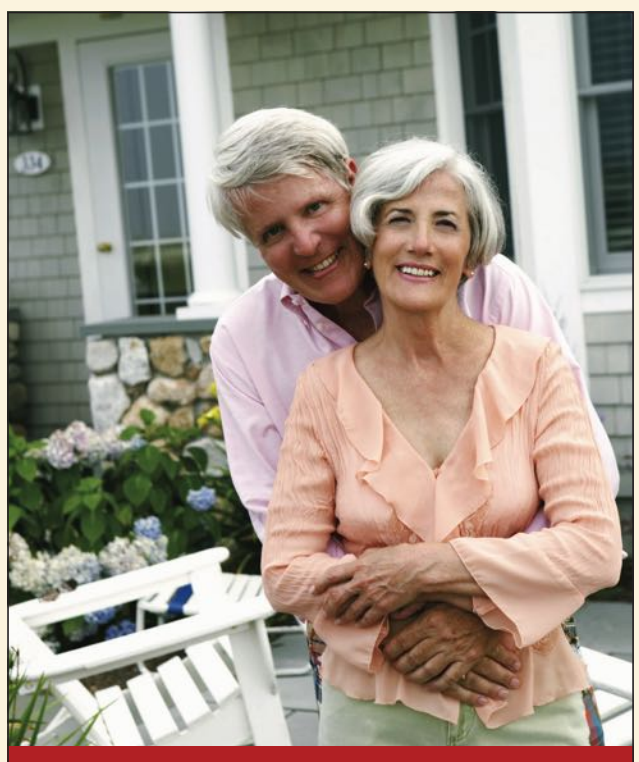
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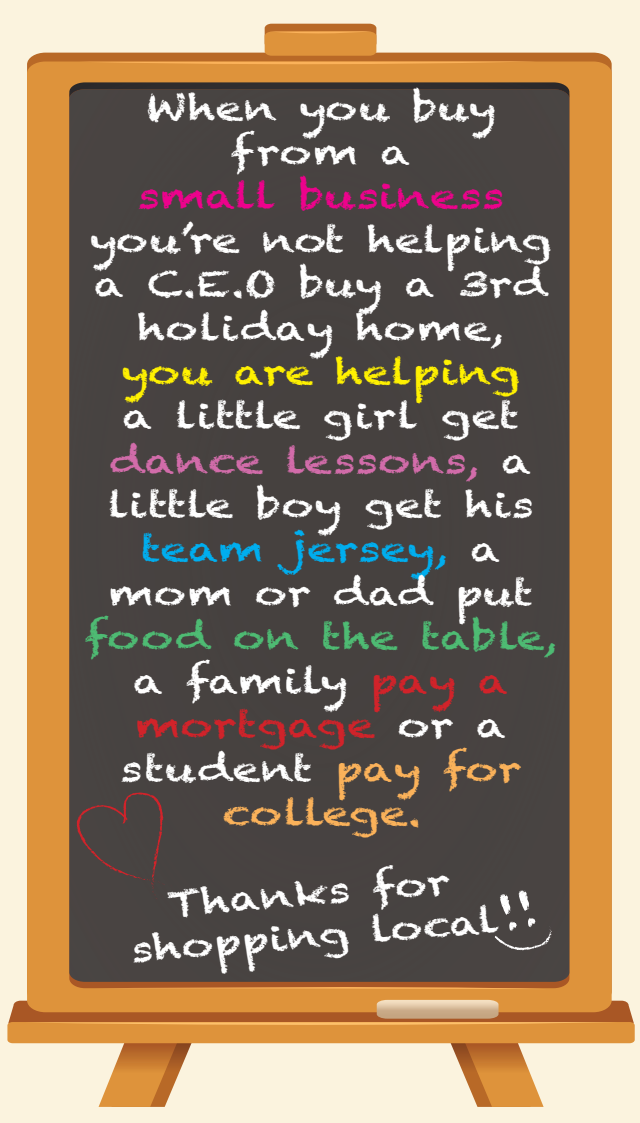
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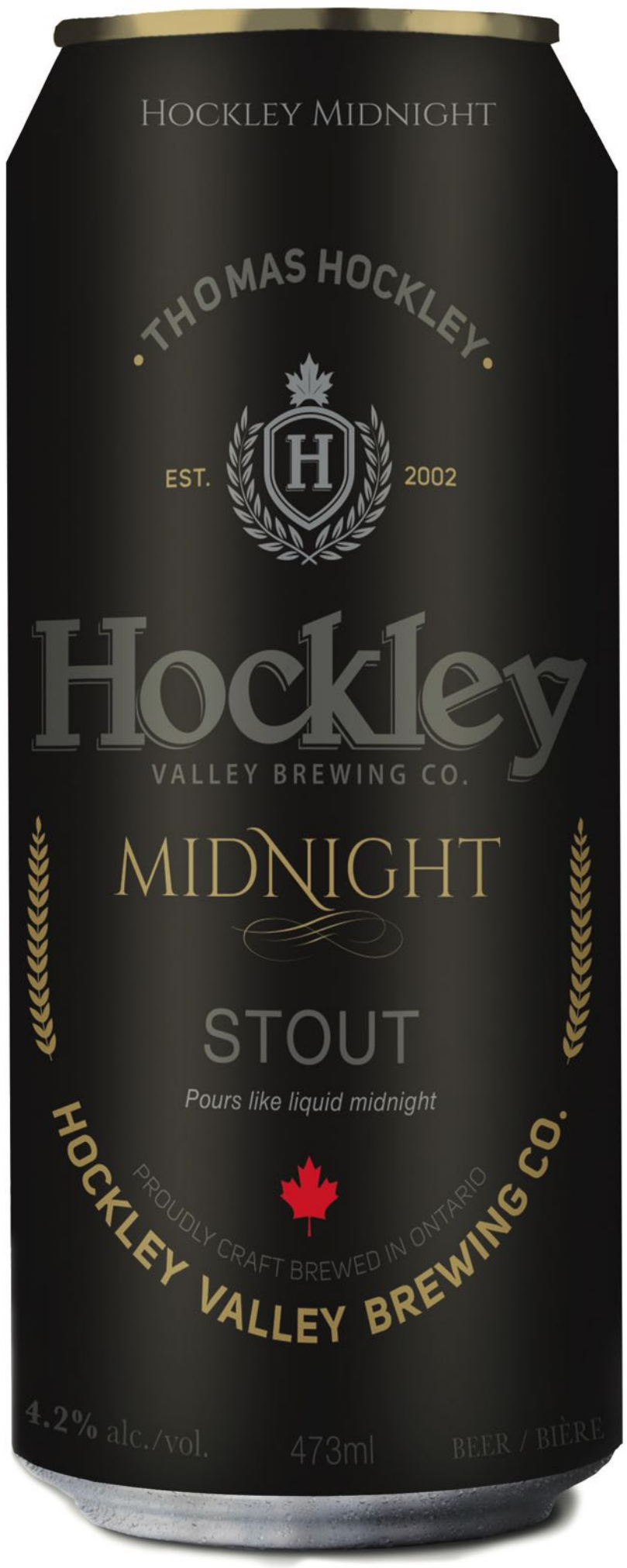
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A Look at the Automotive Trends for 2020

Following the end of 2019, we saw quite a few changes within the automotive market over the last decade.

While Crossovers and SUVs were introduced more widespread in the early 2000s, their popularity didn't quite take off at extraordinary levels until about 2008. Within this past decade, we have seen automakers discontinue small, mid-size and large car lines due to slow sales. This trend is continuing even to this day, with looking at 2020 and forward, we will continue to see more brands dropping car lines. Another big trend in the last decade was the rise of the electric car, more in the last 5 years even. After 2000, we saw a large introduction of mild hybrid vehicles, but soon after, Plug-in Hybrids took on and then into the Tesla, Leaf and the Bolt. Lastly, even despite rising fuel costs after 9/11 and within the last decade, the horsepower wars have been prevalent within performance vehicle brands and are continuing to increase in strength every year. Even within performance vehicles, while the trend is still there and increasing, it is also evolving at the same time. These three trends have been successful and carry into 2020 as main trends due to one thing, Evolution through Technology.

Historically, we have seen the family vehicle market transition from wagons to minivans to SUVs. Brands continue to drop slow-selling sedans and cars from their lineups to create more volume of crossovers and SUVs, as well as larger lineups of Crossovers. Buick is one of the latest, discontinuing both the LaCrosse and now the Regal after 2020 to make room for the new Encore GX and Enspire. Other brands are also increasing these lineups, especially the German luxury brands. Due to higher fuel prices over the past two decades, one would think that Crossovers and SUVs couldn't survive due to their larger size and potentially more fuel cost. Newer materials such as high-tensile steel and aluminum reduce weight, forced induction allows for the same power out of a smaller displacement engine and future hybrid and electric technology even eliminate the worry about fuel costs at all in some cases. This trend is starting to evolve into the large SUVs with the new Yukon, Tahoe/Suburban, and Escalade all being reinvented on the next generation platform. Pickups are soon to follow as well with Hybrid and Electric technology with brands such as Rivian, General Motors and Ford.

Another trend that is evolving very rapidly and largely is the Plug-in Hybrid and full Electric vehicles. With Chevrolet discontinuing the Volt this past year, this indicates that the future is seen in full electric offerings such as the Chevrolet Bolt and other future products. Plug-In Hybrids still have a very important future and all still increasing, in crossovers and SUVs rather than cars. One of the original hybrids, the Prius, has trouble holding its own now with RAV4 and Highlander Hybrids. More automakers have revealed PHEV crossovers with more coming on the way. Companies like Audi and Mercedes-Benz also have their own lines, e-Tron and EQ. Jeep has also released two 4Xe crossovers for North America, the Renegade and Compass. The legendary Wrangler has also been redeveloped into a 4Xe Plug-In Hybrid as well. Jeep also stated that its entire lineup should have a 4Xe offering by 2022. While this powertrain has evolved in range and vehicle packaging, another key feature to this evolution is autonomy. While we may not see it largely in 2020, full autonomy that is, we have most vehicles offering autonomous driver assists as well as full autonomy coming in the next few years.



Jeep Wrangler 4Xe Plug-In Hybrid



Rivian R1T



Sony VISION-S Prototype

Performance vehicles are always the poster vehicle on a child's wall, or the dream vehicle in someone's shop. Similar to the 70s, rising fuel prices, fuel economy standards and stricter emissions are here again for manufacturers. Unlike the 70s however, the horsepower wars are in full effect again and have no sign of slowing down. Horsepower wars will just evolve with forced induction, electrification and hybrid assisted powertrains. Within the Big 3, we have seen many high horsepower muscle cars in the last 2 years. With all 3 brands having an offering with over 650hp from factory, these cars actually achieve remarkable efficiency historically due to forced induction. Other vehicles have evolved such as the Corvette becoming mid-engine and potentially a future hybrid as well. The Ford GT has gone from a V8 to a supercharged V8 to a twin-turbo V6 making even more power. European exotics have even gone as far to introduce KERS like systems to its supercars. This means hybrid or electric will be key to future power with instant torque and the ability to package smaller or even with individual motors.

CES 2020, the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, hosted its largest number of vehicle releases this year. Many of which were concepts, showing what automotive companies could do with infotainment, autonomy and electrification. Many vehicles were also future production as well. This large presence shows the line between technology, electronics, infotainment and vehicles blurring even more every year. Sony even had developed its own vehicle concept for the show this year. Except even more evolution in the decade to come. Autonomy and electrification will also continue to increase the number in automotive OEM startups within the industry as well.

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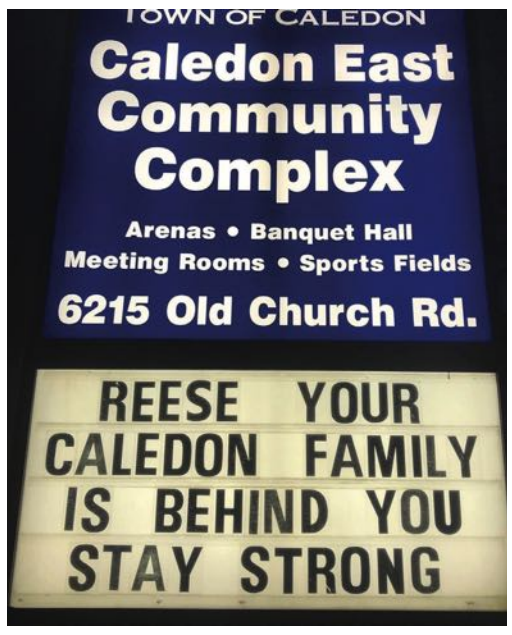
Caledon, A Strong Community and Even Stronger People

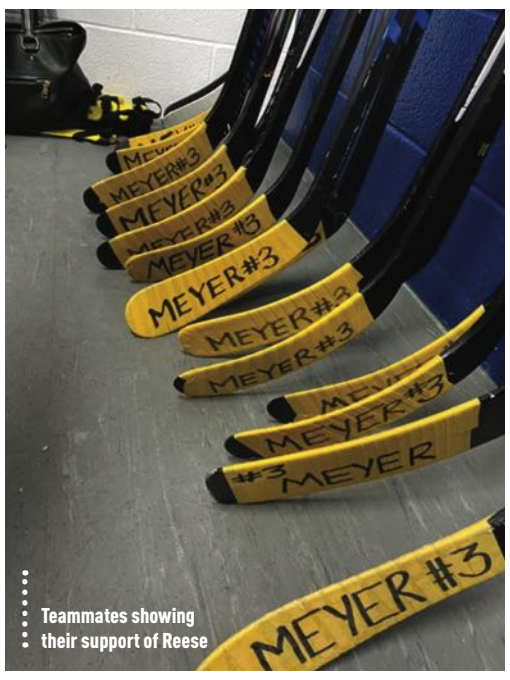
What makes a strong community? The people and their efforts. Without citizens actively engaging in their community's events and social interests, many find themselves wondering where the support can be found.

Look no further than a local family, the Meyers. Reese Meyer, a player for the Caledon Hawks Local Bantam Team had a life changing experience this year. Our Caledon community supported him and helped him through some of the hardest times. Thanks to the community, doctors and everyone who has helped this young athlete. At Bolton Toyota we look for ways to help our community grow these bonds and support local groups whenever we can. This is the story of the Bolton Toyota Caledon Hawks.

The Caledon Hawks Minor Bantam AE team was heartbroken last year at the Bradford Blue and Gold tournament after finding out the devastating news that Reese Meyer was diagnosed with a tumor in his brain. The team went on to win the tournament in his name and has supported him through his treatment. Reese is now onto the final stretch of his treatment and is pushing himself to get through these tough times with his family, friends and the support of the entire hockey community. Bolton Toyota has helped Glenn Meyer, Reese's father, with a new Toyota Highlander and we will continue to help the family every way we can. All our hopes go out to you Reese! #GoReeseGo

The Caledon Hawks community of players parents and coaches is the strongest sports community I have ever been a part of. I've been in Baseball, Lacrosse and Soccer tournaments and never have I seen such a welcoming supportive group. From parents helping one another to get to and from the games to the players pushing each other to become stronger athletes. Atmospheres like this are needed in our youth's early sports careers to have strong friendships and drive one another to become better players and even better people.





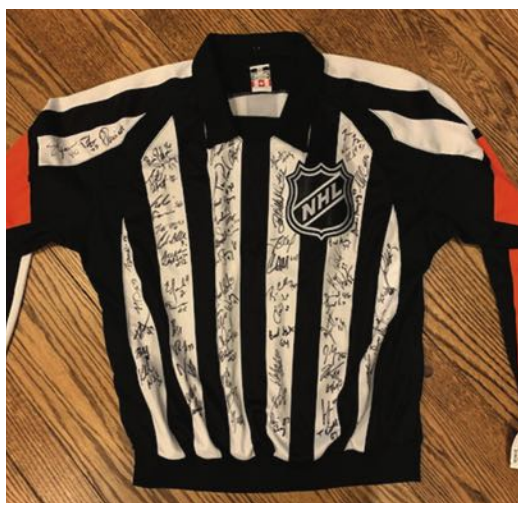
Teammates showing their support of Reese



Carolyn Torchia and her son at the Caledon Hawks game in the Christmas break hockey tournament


Donation of 65 cases of water by Bolton Toyota, made to the Brampton Caledon Christmas break hockey tournament

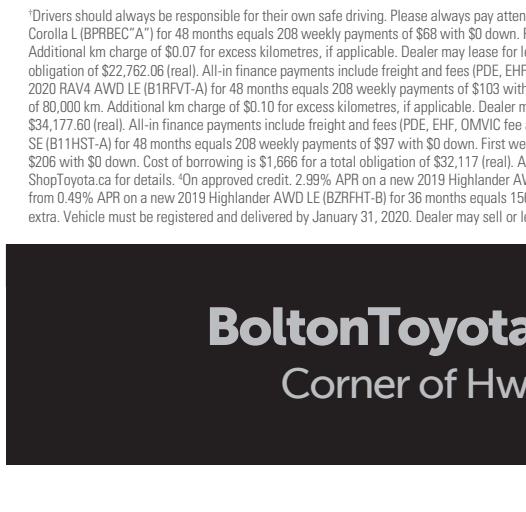
Bolton Toyota is quickly becoming the leader in dealership community involvement. We have been going to our local Hawks games supporting our local young athletes and helping the parents with transportation. At this year's annual holiday break tournament, 65 cases of water were donated so that every team could stay hydrated throughout their games. From our support of this past holiday parade handing out over 3000 t-shirts and baby onesies. To our support of the ride to conquer cancer for the past 2 years. Going forward we are going to become the standard for community involvement to show the rest of Ontario how strong the Caledon community is. New for 2020, we will be partnering with the local Olympic athletes and the C3 Canadian Cross Training Club program operated by Barrie Shepley. They have many events throughout the year gauged towards athletes and their families, as well as young aspiring athletes.





Our Caledon community will be even stronger in 2020. With all these new upcoming events to our area and more ways than ever before to connect with one another. The Caledon Community Services is hosting the Coldest Night of The Year winter walk this February 22nd, sponsored by Bolton Toyota. Come out and support all the work done in Caledon with the hungry, homeless and hurting. For more information visit cnoy.org. Furthermore, we are partnering with C3, Caledon Cross Training Club operated by Olympic team coach Barrie Shepley, visit c3online.ca for all of our upcoming events. Always remember that the town you grow up in can define you and helps push you and I to where we are today. Caledon is and will always be, my hometown. To show your ongoing support of Caledon Hawks Hockey and the Meyer family, please purchase a Reese Meyer tribute toque at the link below. All proceeds will be donated directly to the Meyer Family in support of Reese. For more information please feel free to contact me at b_frazer@boltontoyota.com or by phone at 647-237-3001, text or call. https://cmha.mymvsdesign.com/index.php?id_product=125&controller=product

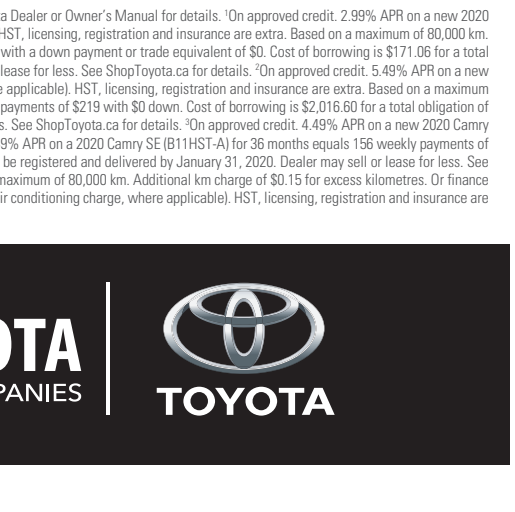
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Glenn Meyer taking delivery of his new Toyota Highlander with Sumit Sharma and Brian Frazer

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Tedd testing a Solo at Agassiz Speedway.
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Electric Cars-Canadian Style

I MET TEDD McHENRY circa 1980 at Ontario Hydro. He is a likeable and smart Mechanical Engineer. He was also a fellow Formula Ford club racer. He was 4th in CASC-Ontaro Region, in 1983, in his trusty Hawke DL11. He then moved to F2000, in a PRS. Locally, Tedd ski-raced at the Caledon Ski Club. After leaving Hydro, he joined the Royal CDN Air Force. He became a Tudor (Snowbird's jet aircraft) Flight Instructor, and also flew search and rescue in de Havilland Twin Otters. After the Air Force, he headed to Vancouver, BC, and returned to work in the private sector. We lost touch, but re-connected a few years ago. Currently, he works at Electra Meccanica Vehicles (EMV), in New Westminster, BC. The company was founded 60 years ago in Italy. They built sportscars. In 1975, the company moved to Los Angeles. They moved again, this time in 1981, to Vancouver. In 2018, EMV began trading on NASDAQ. Today, they specialize in electric commuter cars and sports cars.

Tedd is married, and has grandchildren. In his leisure time, he rides a touring motorcycle, sails his boat, and still skis. Up until a few years ago, he was still club racing an Ontario-built XPIT Formula 4 (3/4 Litre), at Mission Raceway Park.

I recently interviewed Tedd by telephone.

LB: What is your primary responsibility?

TM: I'm responsible for managing EMV's testing program. We do basically three kinds of tests: R&D tests, which are aimed at developing new designs and improving the car's performance and capabilities; verification and validation tests, which tell us whether the as-built cars meet our specifications; and certification tests, which demonstrate that the cars meet the requirements of the standards and regulations that apply in whatever jurisdiction the cars will be sold in.

LB: What other tasks due you perform?

TM: In some cases, I do actual driving in the tests. For example, a lot of the developmental tests involve on-road evaluation. Other tests I might drive in would be basic handling tests (such as a slalom course) or braking tests. But for the more advanced sorts of tests we hire an independent lab with professional test drivers and a proper test facility.

Being a small company, each EMV employee wears multiple hats. Even though I'm not a design engineer at EMV, I often get involved in design decisions. My background in racing has given me experience in vehicle dynamics and chassis development that's often helpful in analyzing handling issues and proposing design solutions.

LB: How many employees are there?

TM: Roughly 65 employees.

LB: Describe EMV's target market?

TM: Right now, there are two key markets, the market for the Solo and the market for the eRoadster.

The Solo is designed to be a commuter car. According to 2016 data published by the Brookings Institution, 85 percent of commuters in the U.S. travel by car and over 75 percent of those commuters drive alone, usually in a vehicle that can carry four or more people. Everybody knows that's not very efficient but up until now there haven't been a lot of alternatives. Many of these commuters are part of a family that has more than one car, but only one of those cars needs to be able to carry the whole family. So, a key kind of customer for the Solo would be a couple that needs two cars so they can both drive to work but only need one of those cars to hold the whole family. The Solo is a great second car for such a family because it's very cheap to operate compared to a combustion-engined multi-seater. It's also nimble and fun to drive even in commute-to-work traffic. Personally, I hate driving to work, but I hate it a lot less when I get to take a Solo.

The eRoadster is a classic sports car. It's an electrified version of the Intermeccanica Speedster, which many car enthusiasts are already familiar with. I'm more involved in the Solo project but I've driven the eRoadster and I absolutely love it! It gives you the feel, the romance, and the fun of a classic, open-air sports car, but with a crazy smooth, near-silent electric drivetrain. The target market for the eRoadster is basically the same as for the original, piston-engined Speedster: A driving enthusiast who wants the romance and excitement of a vintage sports car but in a new, modern, more affordable package. And the eRoadster has all the benefits of an electric car to go along with that.

LB: How many models do you produce?



Solo testing at Exponent test track, in Phoenix

TM: In 2020 we have the Solo and the eRoadster, and we're taking orders on both right now. We're also in the early stages of development of the Tofino which, unlike the eRoadster, is a modern sports car. But the company's focus for 2020 is the Solo.

LB: How many units do you build annually?

TM: We built 50 of the first-generation Solos at our plant in New Westminster. This wasn't a full-scale production line but more of a test-the-market concept. Full scale production of the Solo begins in 2020 in Chongqing, China, with the first dealership already open in Los Angeles. I can't share the production forecast with you but it will be a much bigger number than the preliminary run in New Westminster was.

The eRoadster is still under development, with a couple of early production models being assembled and tested right now. This is a hand-made sports car, just as the Intermeccanica Speedster was, built on the same production line. So, numbers will be relatively modest by comparison with the Solo.

LB: Are there dealers in ON?

TM: Not now. The first target market for the Solo is California for 2020. We do plan to expand into other markets.

LB: What is the biggest hurdle is selling your cars?

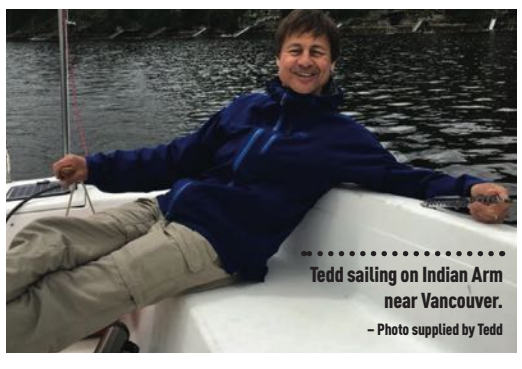
TM: I'm not a marketing guy, so I'm probably not the best person to ask about sales challenges. But, from my perspective as Engineering Testing Manager, the Solo is the most complex product in the most demanding market that I've ever worked on. Developing an innovative vehicle requires a lot of engineering which, as you can image, can be a real challenge for a small company like EMV. We're fortunate to be working with excellent development partners with decades of experience in automotive engineering. The hurdle is that there are so many things we have to get right. It can be daunting, at times. But I've never been more excited about the products I work on.

LB: MSRP for the Solo is $18,500 USD.
Thank you, Tedd!



Solo testing, from Agassiz Speedway, in BC.
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Tedd sailing on Indian Arm near Vancouver.
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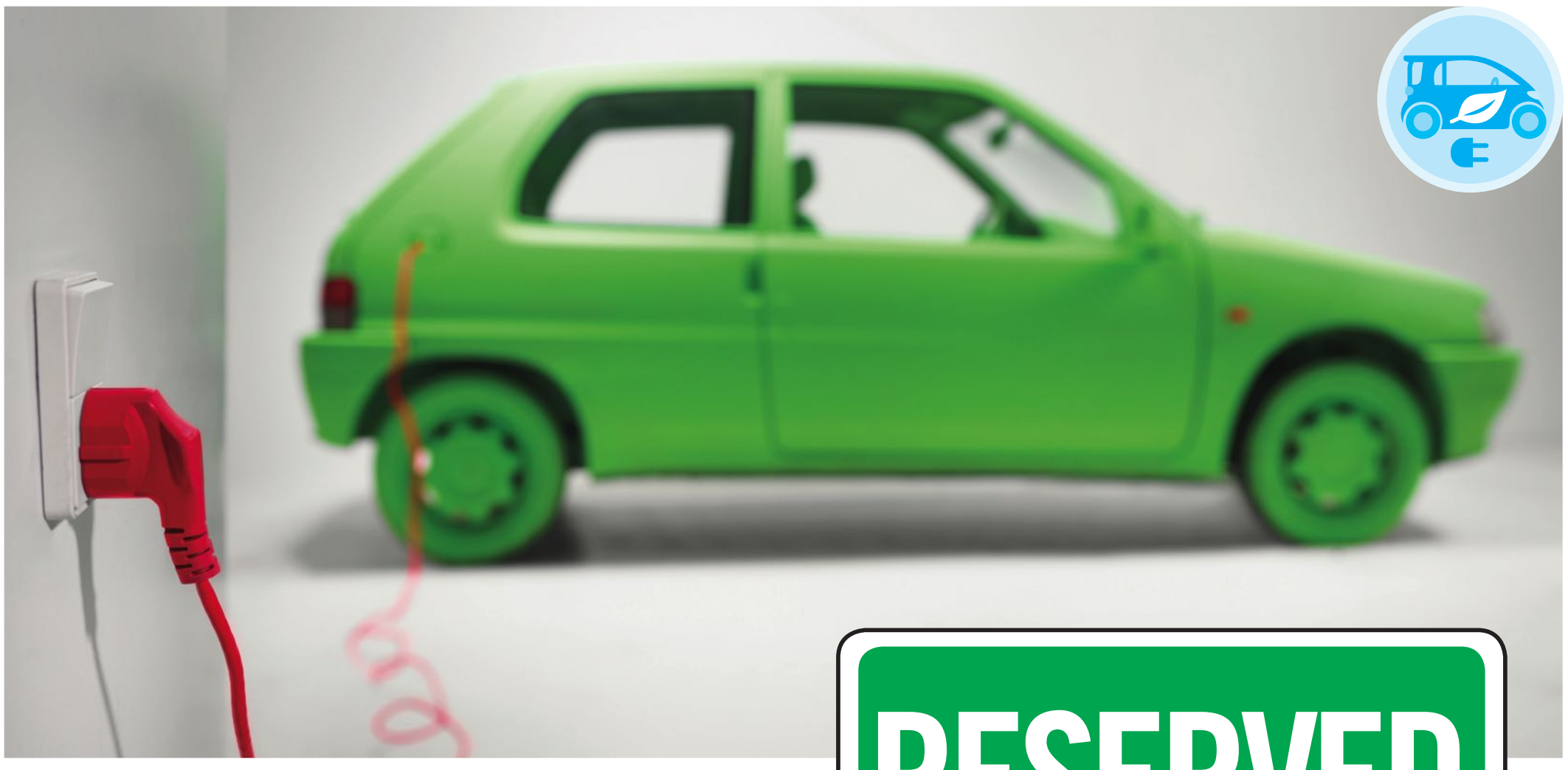
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New parking fine for taking up electric vehicle spots

As the movement to have more electric vehicles on the road over the next few years begins to gather momentum, there is now a new law in place designed to stop gas powered car owners from parking in electric vehicle designated parking spots.

The change to the Ontario Highway Traffic act will bring a fine of $125 to Ontario drivers who park a gas powered vehicle in a place designated for electric cars. That same penalty will apply drivers of electric vehicles that park a charging station but aren't using it.

The new fine is the result of a private member's bill in the Ontario Legislature that was proposed by Green Party MPP and provincial part leader, Mike Schreiner.

The change to the act says vehicles in designated spots must be electric and attached to the station's charging equipment or they could be ticked.

Schreiner said he learned people parking in electric vehicle sports is a 'major issue' across the province after speaking with the president of the Electric Vehicle Society.

It is frustrating situation for electric vehicle owners as there are limited charging spots available and they are left unable to charge when another vehicle is in the spot and being used simply as a parking location.

Schreiner said his next step is to pressure the Ontario government to invest in more electric vehicle charging infrastructure across the province. That would include rolling out incentives for businesses that install electric vehicle charging facilities.

The whole place is to create an incentive for consumers to buy electric vehicles and have the confidence that they will able to charge those vehicles when they need to.

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PARKER MISTSUBISHI has shovels in the ground to build new showroom



Work is well underway at Parker Mitsubishi on Highway 9, just east of Orangeville as the dealership begins construction of a brand new building.

The new facility will include a new showroom, service bays, and customer service area.

While under construction, the dealership is still open and operating. They have temporarily moved their sales and service office to two large trailers on the property to serve their customers.

Dealer Principal, Adam Allard, said the staff is excited about the the place they will call home once construction is completed.

Currently the existing service area is being expanded but that hasn't stopped the service department from operating.

Crews are building around the current service department and once that job is complete, they will move inside and finish the project.

The new department will have five service bays and full customer service area.

"We began construction just before Christmas," Mr. Allard explained. "We anticipate the first phase of construction to be completed by the end of March, and that will be our new service facility. From there, it's three months of getting the rest of the showroom - two stories - completed. Phase two of construction will be the front showroom, the customer lounge, and service drive-through."

The new showroom will be a stunning design based on Mitsubishi's international corporate vision.

Designed in black and red, the company's colours, the Mitsubishi log will be a prominent feature facing Highway 9. All Mitsubishi dealerships will eventually have the same design making the brand easily recognizable around the world.

Once the new building is operational and the trailers have been removed, the plan is to re-design the parking lot on the east side of the building to included a nicely landscaped area that will provide the entire sight with a pleasing urban feel.

The customer lounge area will actually feature a green space on the roof of the service facility. You can wait for your car in a beautiful grass covered area on a sunny day.

The entire project should wrap up by early fall at the latest.

Mr. Allard said they will open the new store with a bit of fanfare to both celebrate the completion of a big project, welcome customers to see the new facility, and of course to show off the full line-up of Mitsubishi vehicles.

"The new grand opening will reveal the new line-up of cars," Mr. Allard said. "I really think this is a turning point for our brand locally and the image that we will have with the public. Our business is growing tremendously so this is the right time for this."

It is an exciting time for Parker Mitsubishi. In addition to having a brand new building, they are transforming a rather non-descript corner of Highway 9, into a modern eye-catching facility that will certainly be noticed by those passing by.

The grand re-opening is expected to take place early in the fall.

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Auto News

Global Auto Mergers: The Key to Profitability and New Technology





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OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, rumours have been circulating about FCA and the possibility of auto mergers with companies like General Motors and Renault-Nissan. FCA has been looking to increase profitability in small car platforms as well as building more shares in the European market. More opportunities would also exist for even more growth with an introduction to emerging markets such as India, but the largest being opportunity being in China. Both General Motors and Renault-Nissan have a large presence in China as well as Europe, but the even larger picture is having the platforms and architecture to be successful there. While those two groups failed to strike an agreement, PSA Groupe and FCA signed a merger officially on December 18th of 2019. This makes the PSA and FCA company the 4th largest OEM in the world by volume, and the 3rd largest by revenue. Many questions still exist over in the North American market. Who is PSA Groupe? Why is there a need for FCA to merge with a European OEM again? What does this mean for the North American market and the global market going forward? The answer is simple, increase global profitability while keeping up with automotive trends as well as keeping ahead of upcoming technologies.



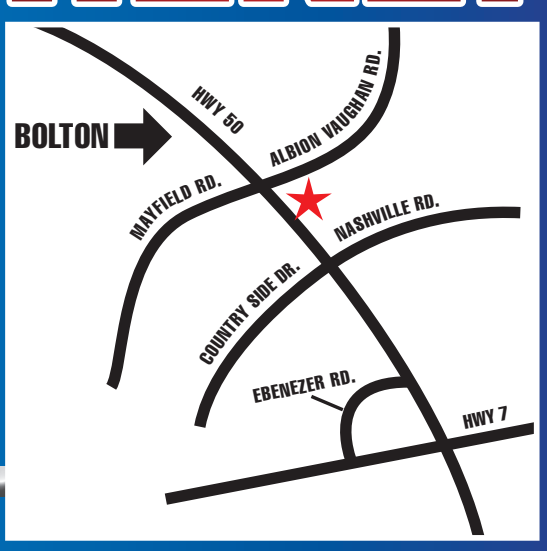
PSA Groupe is mainly a European OEM consisting of mostly French auto manufacturers, but also newly acquired German Opel from General Motors and British Vauxhall from General Motors. The main OEMs of PSA Groupe consist of Peugeot, Citroen and the upscale DS brand. Some of us here may remember those 4 European manufacturers as well. Peugeot and Citroen sold cars here in Canada up until about 30 years ago. Vauxhall and Opel sold some of their line of vehicles here in Canada through the 60s and 70s in Pontiac and Buick stores. More recently, competitor Buick also shared much of GM's Opel architecture here with the Encore, Regal and the former Verano. PSA Groupe is a company that has been much more successful within Europe, owning a large share of European auto sales, successful and profitable small and midsize vehicle platforms as well as some future technologies for electrification. While being a very successful and profitable company, PSA Groupe lacks a global presence as well as a presence within the crossover and SUV market.



With PSA Groupe being successful in Europe and the already existing partnership with Fiat Automobiles, what does that mean for FCA? This merger will keep all 12 brands existing within the 2 companies as they all share very different personalities and hit different markets within age and within different regions. FCA has had a harder time staying profitable with small and midsize car platforms, mainly due to having few brands to spread the architecture around, but also due to being so strong in a market dominated by Crossovers and SUVs. The key to become more global is to develop a profitable platform and vehicle architecture for a wide array of vehicles, whether is be a crossover or smaller vehicle. With PSA Groupe, architecture can be spread across 12 brands to be more cost-effective and profitable. This also helps spread R&D money for vehicle updates, powertrain updates and electrification as well as autonomous technologies.

This will lead to quite a few possibilities within North America and the Global Automotive market. Peugeot and Citroen have been looking to make a North American comeback by 2026. Merging with FCA makes this even easier with an existing dealer network, existing R&D facilities and existing success. These two companies could potentially introduce vehicles that would slot where FCA currently does not have a vehicle. Powertrains will also gain more efficiency and expect more electrification and autonomous technologies between PSA and FCA. In the global market, PSA is looking to gain more shares into Latin America, China and some of North America. FCA already has much of Latin America with the successful Jeep brand, however, FCA outside of Fiat has never been particularly successful in Europe. China is an untapped market for both OEMs in comparison to General Motors and Volkswagen.

Expect to see further announcements about the merger while everything is finalized over the next 12 to 15 months of this $50 billion merger. While FCA has many new releases already planned over the next 24 months, especially with Jeep, expect to see more in terms of electrification and the potential of Peugeot and Citroen returning much sooner. The company looks to eventually put 2/3 of its vehicles on 2 platforms as well as maintaining a joint volume of global sales of about 8.7 million vehicles annually. This merger is a win for both parties and on a global scale as well. The future is very bright for PSA Groupe and FCA.

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