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Briefly

Carnival's here
CHESTERVILLE – It's carnival weekend in Chesterville. Get out your dancing shoes and hockey gear. Friday night kicks off with the spaghetti supper and fireworks. Saturday is the Firemens' Breakfast, three-on-three hockey, a fishing derby and a euchre tournament. For the young ones on Sat., Feb. 8, the kids dance also features face painting and a candy bar. Saturday night don't miss a performance by an AC/DC cover band.

Matilda Carnival
DIXONS CORNERS – Comedy, chili, pancakes and a snowmobile rally are the highlights of the Matilda Winter Carnival in Dixons Corners. It all begins with the rally at 10 a.m. on Feb. 8. Chili, music and a comedy act follow. The pancake breakfast and children's activities are slated for Feb. 9.

Empty bowls
WILLIAMSBURG – Fill some cupboards by participating in the Empty Bowls' fundraiser for Community Food Share. Drop by the Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church for some delicious soup on Feb. 8, from noon to 2 p.m., and take home a handcrafted bowl.



Classic carnival activities and family fun in Inkerman

Families came out to enjoy a fine winter day on Feb. 2 at the Inkerman Winter Classic. Skating, races and games took place inside the rink, while sleigh rides were the big attraction off the ice. The rides were provided by Bri-McFarms. Organizer Darby Ace said the carnival had something for all ages, and has received great support from local businesses.

Morin photo

Inkerman Carnival keeps up a tradition

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

INKERMAN – The small village of Inkerman held its soon-to-be-a-tradition Inkerman Winter Classic on Sun., Feb. 2.

The weather was perfect and the mood was even better as families from all over came by to enjoy the winter carnival's afternoon games and dinner at the Inkerman United Church.

All the action took place down by the outdoor rink. Inside the skate changing shack there was free hot chocolate and popcorn; with people coming and going-to warm up and refuel. There was also a silent auction going on inside the warm skate shack.

Outside there were sleigh rides courtesy of Bri-McFarms. There was even a spare horse by the name of Jake waiting his turn to get harnessed up.

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Scotiabank decision angers South Mountain residents

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

SOUTH MOUNTAIN – A crowd of 100 or more disappointed and frustrated South Mountain and area residents left the Mountain Township Agricultural Hall on Wed., Jan. 29; they had been at a community meeting hosted by Scotiabank to discuss the fate of their local South Mountain Branch.

In Nov. 2019, the Bank of Nova Scotia sent a letter to branch clients in South Mountain stating they were planning to close the branch in June 2020.

Scotiabank has had a bank in the village since 1917.

The letter stated, "After careful consideration of the market, we have decided to relocate our services at 106619 Main Street, South Mountain, to our branch at 300 Colonnade Drive, Kemptonville. We'll be much better equipped to provide the one-on-one services you have come to expect from Scotiabank."

The Financial Consumer Agency of Canada has rules about bank closures called "Notice of Branch Closure Regulations."

Any complaint or serious questions from residents in a community about a bank closure triggers a town-hall type of meeting to allow a bank and its customers to have a

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By 1935, J.-Armand Bombardier had designed and built a rubber-cushioned, sprocket wheel-track system that made possible full-scale production of multi-passenger snow vehicles. By 1937, he had introduced his principle of steering by skis in front of a tracked drive. On June 29, 1937, he was granted his first patent. He quickly put up a sign on his garage — “L’Auto-Neige Bombardier” — and went into business. Success was inevitable and immediate. We all know where this Canadian invention has gone since — basically everywhere that snow exists — worldwide — and there are almost three million snowmobiles registered worldwide! Thank you Joseph-Armand Bombardier!

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Scotiabank

Continued from the front conversation about the closure. Anticipating the potential for an unruly meeting, Scotiabank had asked the OPP to be present.

North Dundas Mayor Tony Fraser opened the meeting by saying, "This evening does not promise a lot of good news, but important news for the residents of South Mountain."

He went on to ask the crowd to remember to be civil and allow any questions to be answered throughout the meeting.

He said, "We need to make sure we have the opportunity to speak, and we need to make sure we have the opportunity to hear the answers."

Many residents at the Jan. 29 meeting had hoped the meeting was a chance to convince Scotiabank to reverse its decision but they were surprised when Martine Laviolette, district vice president of the bank, said, "After very careful consideration, we have made the final decision to close the South Mountain branch as of June 18."

"We did not make this decision lightly, I myself have spent many years as a branch manager in small communities just like South Mountain; we know that this change will be difficult. This was a very difficult decision but we truly feel this relocation will help us put greater resources behind our branch in Kemptville so that we can provide resources to our customers in this area; including more modern and up-to-date technology. I want to assure you that I will try to answer all of your questions today. Today is just one conversation of many. Over the next few days, few weeks we will also be in touch directly with individuals to help you with this transition."

To help with the transition, the bank will be leaving a full-service automated teller machine (ATM) in the village, but eventually there will no longer be night deposits.

"The exact location has not yet been determined," said Laviolette. "You will



Martine Laviolette, district vice president, and North Dundas Mayor Tony Fraser open up the meeting. Morin photo



The town hall-type meeting with Scotiabank brought out more than 100 area residents, among them, Ed Dizazzo, who had questions and suggestions regarding the branch closure. Morin photo



Scotiabank has operated a branch in South Mountain since 1917. Morin photo

continue to have banking access to banking services through telephone and mobile and online."

She said if residents do not have computer access or knowledge of how to do online banking, the bank is sponsoring some computer equipment and help for those interested at the South Mountain Library.

"During this transition, our staff will be available to help you get set up and familiar with all of the options we have," she said.

There was no shortage of residents with questions.

Ed Dizazzo prefaced his question by thanking the bank and bank staff for their history of community support. "They have donated to the fire department, the local library building and to our food banks. They have been a long-time supporter of the community and we appreciated it," he said.

His comments directed to bank staff received a loud and long applause.

Dizazzo pointed out that Scotiabank had recorded a \$9.4-billion profit in 2019.

He said he was aware that the decision to leave

South Mountain was not a local decision.

"I'd bet money that your CEO has no clue where South Mountain is, doesn't really care, and couldn't pick it out on a map. We also know that it is nothing personal," said Dizazzo.

He explained South Mountain has an older population. "Almost one in five residents is 65 or older."

Dizazzo suggested many residents do not have computers or smart phones to do computer banking.

"And even for those who do, the infrastructure isn't there. Forty per cent of Eastern Ontario does not have access to high-speed internet and ten per cent of the area has no cell phone reception whatsoever," said Dizazzo.

He offered up a suggestion that, if accepted, would pause any idea of moving the branch out of the community.

"We propose that as a pilot project the bank delayed its closure in South Mountain, for a period of 12 to 18 months, and...this is the important part...in the interim, you partner with the many community groups, the Lions, the food

banks, friends of the library, among others, to put on digital literary sessions for their members and others that wish it," he said.

His suggestion would see trainers and equipment and a little start-up money to get the population more comfortable with online and mobile-based banking.

"That way, Scotiabank could prove that it cares as much about its customers as it cares about its profits," said Dizazzo.

Laviolette did not say yes to the suggestion but pointed out that the bank's staff were already giving instructions on how to navigate the online banking world.

She added that the decision to relocate the branch was not taken lightly and that the decision was final.

The meeting came to an end with several people saying the bank had lied to them and had wasted their time with meeting and that many of its South Mountain clients would do their banking elsewhere.

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Letter

An explanation of snowmobiling and insurance

Things have reached a dead end since the end of Dec. 2019 between the United Counties of Prescott-Russell (UCPR) and the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC). The contentious issue relates to insurance which protects landowners who are gracefully lending their properties for a positive contribution to their local community, and to participate in establishing the 380 km of snowmobile trails of the Eastern Ontario Snowmobile Club in Prescott-Russell.

To clarify the recent UCPR/EOSC custom agreement conflict: landowners are protected. Anyone who spreads rumours that the landowners aren't properly covered is spreading baseless rumours.

The OFSC has a first-plan commercial general liability insurance protecting the landowners for an amount of \$15-million per occurrence for any incidents on the landowner's property in relation with the operations of organized snowmobiling.

When an owner or a corporation generously consents to allowing the establishment of a snowmobile trail, on his land for the winter season, he becomes an entity protected under the commercial general liability OFSC provincial insurance. The valid consents can take effect between the EOSC and the landowner through either a simple verbal acknowledgement, a handshake or with a handwritten signature on the standard OFSC one-page "Prescribed Trail Landowner User Permission" form. These different simple engagement methods are all honoured and renewable on an annual basis.

The participating landowners do not have to worry about any problems that may arise, such as: Mother Nature causes a tree to fall on the trail, a flash flood in a ditch, an injured snowmobiler, an injured trespasser, grooming activities' accidents, injured volunteers doing maintenance and/or staking trails, or any other incidents involving having a snowmobile trail on a property.

In the 50 years of OFSC's existence, the provincial federation representing the 228 Ontario snowmobile clubs, which manages the 28,000 km network of interconnected trails, it has never had a landowner or a corporation prosecuted successfully. The OFSC takes care of the landowner by covering the investigation fees, lawyers, court fees, lawsuit payouts if necessary, for the 30,000+ Ontario landowners.

If even one out of 30,000+ landowners would have been prosecuted and incurred financial losses in the past, the news would spread like wildfire. Since the OFSC has an excellent partnership with the agricultural community and the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, it's likely these organizations that would have made their members aware of this exposure (One example occurred in 2016 with the Ontario Bill 100 land easements, when the OFSC intervened and lobbied successfully in favour of the agricultural community.).

The OFSC/UCPR insurer dispute stems from a UCPR custom personalized agreement where an indemnification clause is being debated. In contrast to what has been said in the community, the OFSC insurance hasn't changed in the last decade, however, the OFSC insurer decided to clarify the content and limitations of the insurance policy. The policy review was necessary due to the present turmoil in the insurance industry in general.

In the spirit of collaboration, we hope OFSC and UCPR will reach a reasonable agreement to the benefit of keeping a healthy tourism sector for the local businesses, the volunteer clubs, the members, the snowmobile trail walkers/skiers/snowshoe hikers and the municipalities.

In the meantime, there's no need to worry. Landowners who gave their consent are internally documented and protected at the EOSC and OFSC level.

Pascal Roy,
volunteer, Corporate Relations
Eastern Ontario Snowmobile Club

CASTOR Country

By Tom Van Dusen

Oh you people!

Let's give these kids a break, people! Take a big breath. Let them off the hook.

I'm talking about two students at St. Michael's Catholic High School in Kemptville guilty of a thoughtless teenage stunt which has been spun by national media into the worst case of racism around here since...maybe ever.

The offending party put together a poster bordered with cotton balls which stated: "If I was black, I'd be picking cotton. But I'm white, so I'm picking you for prom." There's no doubt it was a misplaced invitation in this inflamed day and age; back in the 1800s when slaves were actually picking cotton in the American South, it could have been interpreted as an astute social commentary.

But this is now, when racism accusations are flying fast and furious. In all cases, you're tried by the court of activist groups, social media and national news outlets. A couple of country kids from Grenville County don't stand a chance.

Probably oblivious to the mood of the day, the female student made what has been decreed by someone - maybe the media - to be a "racist promposal" to her boyfriend which caused a manure storm. One professional pulpit commentator labelled it an "egregious expression of hatred." The boyfriend is

complicit because he gave a thumbs-up in a photo of the poster just as Ron MacLean did for Don Cherry before the latter got the boot on a phony racism rap and Ron grovelled to save his butt.

I know I'll be branded a racist by some zealots for this commentary but it has to be said. Saner heads have to do what they can to help rein in the faux racist craziness running rampant across the land.

It's the syndrome that knocked off poor Grapes. Think what you want about the florid hockey commentator but he's no racist. Yet he was branded as such by the zealots simply for using the terminology "you people" without colour or ethnic reference, which was somehow labelled a racist term. Don was as unaware of the modern social traps and pitfalls as the kids in Kemptville.

Then there was Justin Trudeau - who I don't usually feel sorry for - being called racist for donning blackface during stage productions and parties 20 years ago. Black Canadians were mostly forgiving...but not the white zealots. Yes, it was ill-advised but it wasn't racist. You might expect more from the son of an enlightened prime minister but it wasn't racist. Like Cherry, Justin doesn't have a racist bone in his body yet he apologized for a perceived racist act just to get the complainers off his

back coming up to an election campaign.

Going back to the "egregious expression of hatred" assessment, it came from Rev. Anthony Bailey of Parkdale United Church in Ottawa, who also suggested a "corrosive effect within our society." He's black but Bailey has to know in his heart of hearts that these white country kids have no reason to hate his race and that they made an uninformed error in judgment with nobody looking over their shoulders to warn of the potential landmine out there in the great big accusing world.

In stirring the pot, CTV came up with some outraged parents and students and the Catholic District School Board of Eastern Ontario put out an obvious disclaimer that it doesn't condone any act of racism; apparently the board has policies in place which lay out a course of action in such situations so the poor promposal pair may face further critic-appealing discipline.

No doubt unsure of how to conduct damage control, the kids sent a pleading



apology to CTV News of all places, obviously not fully aware of whom exactly they offended; they may think they offended CTV, also an astute social commentary. They recognized what they did was wrong and both feel incredibly bad about it. "We hope to be able to move on from this in our lives."

Fortunately for them, the national media quickly loses interest and has probably already moved on to create the next controversy. Meanwhile you people... leave them kids alone! To avoid any confusion and to help fend off a barrage of accusing fingers, almost all of the people I'm referring to are white.

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NDDHS Report

By Carley Milne-Servage
Student Council Communications

Semester two is underway



The first semester is finally finished and our second semester has started. Students are now in their new classes for a fresh start after exams.

This semester, our food prep class would like to try to reduce waste associated with their snack cart. Each day, the food prep class provides nutritional snacks during the morning break but they are no longer providing single-use cutlery. Students are encouraged to bring their own reusable cutlery in order to eat the snacks, which can include pasta and yogurt, so make sure to bring your forks and spoons.

A big congratulations goes out to our girls' curling team as they won the 2020 Ontario School Curling Regionals this past weekend. They are now heading to the provincial competition; this will be the second time at provincials for two of the team members. Great job, girls!

It's a strike!

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE-It was a busy Sunday afternoon at the Chesterville Bowling Lanes when the 2020 Tim Horton's Bowl For Kids Sake was held on Feb. 2. Ron Graham, executive director of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Cornwall and District, said there were nine teams bowling in the Sunday event, with all money raised used locally toward the one-on-one mentoring program. On Feb. 1, the bowlers at Nativity Lanes and Olympia Bowl participated in the Cornwall portion of the local Tim Horton's Bowl for Kids Sake. BBBS fundraising coordinator Dave Murphy commented that approximately 90 bowling teams participated in the Cornwall and Chesterville events.



Community Food Share, serving Dundas and Stormont Counties, provided a team in the 2020 Tim Horton's Bowl for Kids Sake on Feb. 2. Community Food Share's team shirts reminded people that CFS is not able to accept donations of opened items, dented cans or expired food items. CFS team lead Jane Schoones seemed excited about Empty Bowls, an upcoming fundraising event on Feb. 8 at the Williamsburg Christian Reformed Church between noon and 2 p.m.

Thompson Goddard photo



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Inkerman carnival

Continued from the front

Lia McIntosh kept him company as he nervously waited his turn. She said he wanted to join in.

Outside of the rink there was ice curling and puck shooting contests. There was even a fire rescue truck from the Mountain Township Fire Detachment Station 2. They gave tours to children who were interested.

Inside the rink there was pancake races, human bowling, public skating, pick-up hockey and four-person skiing.

Carnival organizer Darby Ace said, "I like to think it is getting better every year. There is something fun here for all ages."

She said the carnival has enjoyed a great deal of local business support.

"I grew up in Inkerman," said Ace. "We had the carnival when I was a kid."



These volunteers at the Inkerman United Church had their hands full with a good crowd for supper. Pictured here are: Carol Ace (left), Cindy Ace, Cheryl Millard, Tay Ace and Sue Matthies. Morin photo

Now, she's giving another generation fond memories of the Inkerman Winter Classic.



Four-person skiing was an event children had to be coaxed to try. Once they got going it was all fun. Morin photo

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Peacefully called to her heavenly home on Tuesday, January 28, 2020. Predeceased by her loving husband, Arie. Loving mother of Jack and Diane Geurkink, Nancy and John De Jong, Ray Geurkink and Angela Vanhaelen, Michael and Catherine Geurkink, and Shawn and Gislaine Geurkink. Sadly predeceased by their son Fred. Proud and caring grandmother of 21 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren. Predeceased by grandson Benjamin. Will be missed by siblings Freda and Harold Tibben, Henry and Hennie Zandbergen, Dini and Nick Frans, Alice and Jim VanDoorn, Richard and Yettie Zandbergen, Bill and Coby Zandbergen, Fred and Mattie Zandbergen, John and Theresa Zandbergen and Jo-Ann and Bill Hofzyer. Predeceased by parents Fred and Joan Zandbergen and her brother Rutger. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Mom/Grandma/Great-Grandma was born in Laag Soeren, Gelderland, the Netherlands on March 19, 1937, the eldest of eleven siblings. At the age of 15, Janny, along with her parents and her seven brothers and sisters at the time, left for Canada, moving onto a farm in Brinston, Ontario. As was the case for many in her situation, Janny had to find a job so that she could help support the family. The job she ended up at until shortly before she got married was at Caldwell Linen Mills in Iroquois, Ontario, boarding in Iroquois at the aunt and uncle of her future husband.


On December 26, 1956, Janny married Arie and this past year celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. Throughout her life, Mom put her heart and soul into many things. Naturally she was always there for her family, and many of us can remember enjoying tea time with her in the afternoons along with many other such memories, but she also was dedicated to the Christian School, her church and the community. For many years she was very involved with planning the school bazaar, tutoring, driving the school bus and regularly volunteering at Timmy's Place thrift store in Morrisburg. At church she was on many committees and served as a deacon for a term. In the community she volunteered with the Heart and Stroke Foundation and the Cancer Society, often collecting donations for the Daffodil campaign. She was also a regular visitor to some in the community that simply needed a friend.

Mom enjoyed life and her family. For many years she went line dancing, only quitting when her body wouldn't let her do it anymore. She loved family gatherings, including regularly getting together for "Sisters Day" and with all her siblings and their spouses for dinners and birthdays. She also loved Arie's family and celebrating special occasions with them. As a family we are very happy that Mom/Grandma got to celebrate the annual dinner with her siblings and their spouses this January at the Garden Villa.

Visitation was held on Thursday, January 30th from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg. Additional visiting took place from 10-11 a.m. on Friday, January 31st at Dixons Community Christian Reformed Church, followed by a service celebrating Janny's life and service to her Lord at 11 a.m. at Dixons Community Christian Reformed Church. Graveside service for the immediate family was at Spruce Haven Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation. Online condolences may be made at marsdenmcLaughlin.com.

Obituary



**VANIER, ANNIE
(Van Der Veen)**

Peacefully after a brave battle with cancer on Saturday, February 1, 2020 Annie Vanier in her 74th year. Beloved wife of Ray Vanier. Loving mother of Christina Vanier (Greg Stewart) and Joey (Charlene Miller). Cherished Grandma of Grayden and Alice and step-grandma to Kylie, Brooke and Nolan. Dear sister of Elske (late Andy Oost), Abraham (Baukje), Wytze (Anna), Ypie (late Eloi LeBlanc), Hiske (Robert Burghgraef), Hilly (late Ray Hebert), Klaske (Rudy Lorenz), Jacob (Sharon), Nancy (Jack Lalonde), Baukje, Cristine (Tom Dickenson), John (Maureen) and the late Imkje (late Heinz Walkkamm). Family and friends are invited to pay their respects at the Daley Family Funeral Home, 6971 Bank St. from 2-4 p.m. & 7-9 p.m. on Sunday, February 9, 2020. Memorial Service Monday in the Chapel at 11 a.m. If desired, donations to the Ottawa Regional Cancer Foundation, 1500 Alta Vista Dr, Ottawa, ON K1G 3Y9 would be appreciated.

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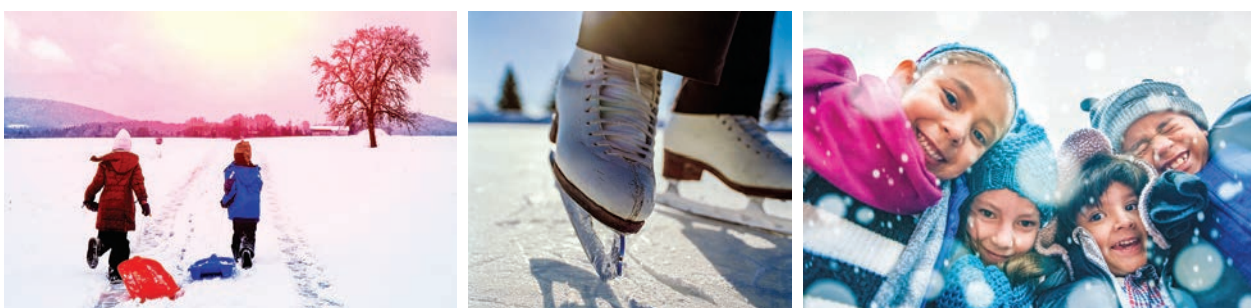
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Minister meets Eastern Ontario farmers to discuss anti-trespass bill

BONVILLE - The provincial Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Ernie Hardeman, and Jim McDonell, MPP for Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry, met with local livestock farmers and transportation owners to discuss Bill 156 in Bonville on Jan. 3. If passed, the bill will protect farmers, agribusinesses, agri-food sector workers, farm animals and Ontario's food supply against the risks of on-farm trespass and interference with livestock transport.

"We have received a lot of support from across the province for our proposed legislation to improve protection against trespass," said Minister Hardeman. "Our hard-working farmers,

their families, employees and farm animals face unique risks and challenges associated with trespass onto a farm or into a food processing facility. We take their safety very seriously and this bill addresses those risks."

Individuals and companies involved in agriculture and agribusiness were encouraged to write letters to show their support for this initiative.

"Our government has zero tolerance to animal abuse. This bill, together with the PAWS Act, will have some of the strongest legislation in Canada; we can protect the welfare of farm animals, while at the same time protecting and improving the working conditions for the agri-food

sector, and ensuring Ontario farmers feel safe in their own homes. That is what this proposed bill does," stated Hardeman.

Farmers told Minister Hardeman this bill will help them feel safer, for themselves, their employees and their livestock. Minister Hardeman thanked the farmers for their support.

"If passed, our proposed bill would not interfere with the right of people to participate in legal protests," said Minister Hardeman. Hardeman and McDonell noted that abuse and neglect of animals will not be tolerated, but these practices should not be confused with animal husbandry and normal farm practices.

"Cattle in the field will

stand together as they enjoy companionship," McDonell stated. "It is not abuse. It is their nature to do that."

Close to 30 local livestock farmers and transportation owners attended the roundtable discussion at the Cornwall Township Lions Club, hosted by McDonell.

Minister Hardeman hopes to have this bill pass third reading before the summer break in June. Farmers feeling unsafe on their properties and suffering from mental health stress due to the threat of trespass was the driving force behind the proposed bill.

Many agricultural organizations have expressed support for the proposed legislation.



Close to 30 local livestock farmers and transportation owners met with Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Ernie Hardeman (right) and Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry MPP Jim McDonell to discuss Bill 156, *Security from Trespass and Protecting Food Safety Act, 2019* at the Cornwall Township Lions Club on Feb. 3. Vogel photo

Carnival time in Moose Creek

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

MOOSE CREEK—The 2020 Moose Creek Winter Carnival has passed; it was another successful weekend of winter fun in the small North Stormont community. From beginning to end, the winter carnival provided a great opportunity to get together and enjoy some fun and family time.

Despite the weather causing the cancellation of the popular 3-on-3 hockey tournament, spirits were high among carnival-goers of all ages.

On Fri., Jan. 31, the carnival's opening night featured four entertainers from Yuk Yuk's performing in the Recreation Centre. Headliner Mike Dambra from Rochester, New York was joined by Julie Dugas, Nick Burden and K. Trevor Wilson. During the performance, the comedians sported Provost General Store t-shirts. The t-shirts are part of a fundraising campaign for the purchase of a bench to be located at the cenotaph in Moose Creek, in honour of Claude Prevost. Prevost was a Second World War veteran and longtime resident who recently passed.

Sat., Feb. 2 was a day full of fun activities for young and old alike. In the morning there were children's craft activities. Sponsored by the Club Optimiste de Moose Creek, there were three different activities inspired by



Creative fun

A steady stream of people enjoyed spending time creating three different crafts inspired by motifs from the Australian Aboriginal community during the Moose Creek Winter Carnival on Feb. 1. Thompson Goddard photo

Australian Aboriginal art; these included painting with Q-tips, making a dream catcher with aboriginal symbols, such as the kangaroo, duck billed platypus or turtle, and bingo dabber art.

Following a delicious and nutritious soup lunch prepared by Lorena Sollows, a bingo game sponsored by the MCRA provided some indoor entertainment. Following this, there were outdoor activities planned, such as spraying snow with a mixture of food colouring and water and a maple syrup taffy-pull.

Early Sunday morning the firefighters from the North Stormont Fire Station in Moose Creek began preparing one of the winter carnival's favourite events – the Firemen's Breakfast. There was a steady stream of diners who enjoyed an extravagant breakfast with two types of eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, home fries, baked beans, toast and coffee/tea or juice. A special thanks was given to Lavolette Farms who donated the eggs for the breakfast. Other activities planned for Feb. 2 –the final day of the carnival, included a euchre tournament and with weather permitting, family skating.

It takes a lot of planning and volunteers to ensure that a community has a fun-filled carnival weekend. A special thanks is extended to all the organizations and volunteers who helped make the 2020 Moose Creek Winter Carnival an event to remember.

Pin Tales

Stormont Ladies: Ladies' High Single, Pat Middleton 211; Ladies' High Triple, Pat Middleton 589. Team Standings: Susan 168.5, Elaine 166.5, Pat 153, Angela 102.

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Tuesday Mixed: Men's High Single, Ron Robinson 245; Men's High Triple, Ron Robinson 691; Ladies' High Single, Lynn Curtis 223; Ladies' High Triple, Lynn Curtis 547. Team Standings: Hope 168, Love 152, Charity 130.5, Faith 119.5.

Defenders: Men's High Single, Glendon Moore 282; Men's High Triple, Glendon Moore 725; Ladies' High Single, Gwen Clarke 208; Ladies' High Triple, Gwen Clarke 600. Team Standings: Brian 190.5, Glendon 181.5, The Funny Bones 163, Gwen 162, CCBD 158.

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Fawcett 288; Men's High Triple, Shawn Munro 435. Team Standings: Anarchy 76, Granny and the Grunts 71, The Happy Gang 59, The Ballers 58, Oh Danny Boy and the Pipes 57, Two C's and a S 57.

Thursday Seniors: Men's High Single, Ross Bennet 181; Men's High Triple, Ross Bennet 462; Ladies' High Single, Alida Scheepers 215; Ladies' High Triple, Alida Scheepers 461.

Avonmore Mixed: Men's High Single, Frank Jerome 326; Men's High Triple, Frank Jerome 756; Ladies' High Single, Crystal Gane 226; Ladies' High Triple, Judy Rombough 577. Team Standings: Akitas 222, Pomeranians 220.5, Labradors 202, Chowchows 195, Poodles 190, Boxers 167.5.

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Rockets pick up four of six points with a pair of wins

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE—The North Dundas Rockets played three games in three nights this past weekend as they travelled to Ottawa to take on the Bytown Royals on Friday night, welcomed the Metcalfe Jets on Saturday night and the South Grenville Rangers on Sunday afternoon.

Rockets 6 Rockets 2

The North Dundas Rockets welcomed the South Grenville Rangers to the Chesterville Arena on Sun., Feb. 2, in the NCJHL. The Rockets went into the game in second place in the West Division, 23 points behind the Rangers who were holding down top spot in the division and overall.

The Rangers opened the scoring when Cooper Kingston scored from Owen Webster and Mathieu Giroux at 12:44 taking a 1-0 lead. The Rangers made a two-goal lead as Mark McKay scored from Jordan Poulin and Cameron Dillon at 14:20. The Rangers took a 2-0 lead into the first intermission.

The Rangers made it 3-0 when Dylan Sharpley scored an unassisted goal at 3:09 of the second period. The Rockets got that one back as Justin Lefebvre scored his 100th career goal 5:36 from Hunt and Nicholas Carroll to cut the deficit to two.

The Rockets got to within one as Hunt ripped one home from Lefebvre and Cameron Brown just 18 seconds later. The Rangers restored a two-goal lead when Webster

scored from Giroux at 17:29.

The Rangers took a three-goal lead when Poulin scored from Matthew O'Brien and Kingston with just 1:11 remaining in the middle frame. The Rangers took a 5-2 lead into the second intermission.

The Rangers made it 6-2 at 17:25 of the third period when Webster scored his second of the game from Jacob Servage.

The Rangers took the game 6-2 moving 25 points ahead of the Rockets. The Rangers outshot the Rockets 48-33. Picking up the win in the Rangers' goal was Xavier Dusablon making 31 saves and suffering his first loss as a Rocket was Anthony Kerwin making 42 saves.

Rockets 10 Jets 4

The North Dundas Rockets welcomed the Metcalfe Jets to the Chesterville Arena on Sat., Feb. 1, in the NCJHL. The Rockets were coming off a big 5-4 win over the Bytown Royals the previous night and looked to string together a pair of wins as they sat in second place in the West Division and seventh over all.

The Rockets opened the scoring just 1:04 into the first period as Jarrett Williams picked the pocket of a Jets' defenseman and went in all alone, beating the goaltender and taking a 1-0 lead. The Rockets made it 2-0 just 20 seconds later when Matt Pietrkiewicz sniped one from Pierce Egan and Devon Thompson.

The Rockets made it 3-0

when Xavier Langevin pounded one to the back of the net from Cameron Brown and Cole Hodges at 2:14. The Rockets took a four-goal lead when Brown scored a long distance shot from Thompson at 11:22. The Rockets took a 4-0 lead into the first intermission.

The Rockets made it 5-0 just 47 seconds into the second period as Nicholas Carroll rifled one to the back of the net from Justin Lefebvre and Joel Hunt on the power play. The Rockets continued the assault as Will Watson slapped one home from Langevin and Brett Lannin on the power play at 3:27. The Jets finally got on the scoresheet at 10:55 as James Horvath scored from Keenan Lafreniere and Marc Brosseau on the power play.

The Jets made it a four-goal game when Connor Weatherhead scored from Adam Fillion and Horvath at 11:33. The Rockets closed the scoring in the middle frame as Williams scored a shorthanded goal unassisted with just 1:15 remaining. The Rockets took a 7-2 lead into the second intermission.

The Rockets made it 8-2 when Watson scored his second of the game from Williams and Brad Nash at 8:28 but the Jets answered just 20 seconds later when Fillion scored from Connor Harty and Weatherhead.

The Rockets restored a six-goal lead when Cole Hodges tapped one home from Williams and Nash on the power play at 12:22 and took a seven-goal lead as Carroll scored his second of the game



The North Dundas Rockets welcomed the Metcalfe Jets to the Chesterville Arena on Sat., Feb. 1, in the NCJHL. The Rockets' forward, Will Watson (14) tries to work his way in front of the Jets' goal, as goalie, Josh Legault gets his stick down in the passing lane. Watson had a decent night, scoring a pair of goals helping the Rockets to a 10-4 victory.

Moore photo

from Brown and Hunt at 15:16.

The Jets closed out the scoring with just 42 seconds remaining as MacKenzie Brewer scored from Cameron Gallant and Sam Wilson. The Rockets took the game with a convincing 10-4 win moving back to .500.

The Rockets outshot the Jets 43-28. Picking up the win in the Rockets' goal in his second game was Anthony Kerwin making 24 saves.

Rockets 5 Royals 4

The North Dundas Rockets travelled to the Bernard Grandmaitre Arena in Ottawa on Fri., Jan. 31, to take on the Bytown Royals in the NCJHL. The Rockets went into the game in second place, in the West Division but sat two games below .500 and seventh overall. The Royals sat in fourth place in the East Division with 30 points.

The Rockets opened the scoring at 11:31 as William Watson swatted one home from Devon Thompson and

Brett Lannin taking a 1-0 lead. The Royals evened the score at 13:41, and the teams took a one-all draw into the first intermission.

The Rockets retook the lead when Nicholas Carroll snapped one to the back of the net from Justin Lefebvre and Matt Pietrkiewicz at 5:31 of the second period on the power play. The Royals tied the game for the second time at 12:21 and took their first lead of the game with just 51 seconds remaining in the middle frame.

The Rockets knotted the affair at three when Pietrkiewicz ripped one home unassisted with only 22 seconds showing on the clock. The teams took a three-all draw into the second intermission.

The Rockets retook the lead when Jarrett Williams fired one home from Pietrkiewicz on the power play at 12:25 but the Royals got back to even again on the power play with just 1:55

remaining in regulation. Neither team was able to score the game winner before time expired so the game headed to a five-minute three-on-three overtime period.

The Royals ran into penalty trouble in overtime and the Rockets took advantage as Williams ended the game with his second of the night at 2:27 from Carroll. The Rockets took the game 5-4 moving to one game below .500.

The Rockets outshot the Royals 34-29. Picking up the win in the Rockets' goal in his first start of the season was Anthony Kerwin making 25 saves.

Up next

The North Dundas Rockets welcome the Morrisburg Lions to the Chesterville Arena tonight, Wed., Feb. 5 at 8:15 p.m. and travel to the Morrisburg Arena on Sat., Feb. 8 to take on the Lions at 7:15 p.m. The Rockets then welcome the South Grenville Rangers on Sun., Feb. 9 at 3 p.m.

Panthers hang on to second place with two weeks remaining

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

WILLIAMSTOWN—The Embrun Panthers played a single game this past weekend as they travelled to Williamstown on Saturday night to take on the Char-Lan Rebels.

Panthers 2 Rebels 1

The Embrun Panthers travelled to the Char-Lan Recreation Centre in Williamstown on Sat., Feb. 1, to take on the Rebels in the CCHL2. The Panthers went into the game in a two-way tie for second place in the Martin Division with the Ottawa Jr. Canadians, and seven points behind the Ottawa West Golden Knights in first.

The Panthers opened the scoring at 16:10 of the first period as Eric Skyba lit the lamp for his 14th goal of the season from Cayden Martin and John Mahoney taking a 1-0 lead. The Panthers outshot the Rebels 12-9 in the opening period but took a slim 1-0 lead into the first

intermission.

The Rebels owned the second period in shots on goal, outshooting the Panthers 10-4 but the Panthers made a shot count as Tristan Taillefer scored his 27th of the season from Robert Beaudoin with just 58 seconds remaining. The Panthers took a 2-0 lead into the second intermission.

The Rebels cut the deficit in half at 12:28 of the third period on the power play. With 1:12 remaining in regulation, the Rebels yanked their goalie in favour of an extra attacker but the Panthers' goalie, William Nguyen and their defence was able to kill the clock taking the game 2-1.

With the win, the Panthers moved back into sole possession of second place. The Rebels outshot the Panthers 28-27. Picking up the win in the Panthers' goal was Nguyen making 27 saves.

Up next

The Embrun Panthers



The Embrun Panthers travelled to the Char-Lan Recreation Centre in Williamstown on Sat., Feb. 1 to take on the Rebels in the CCHL2. The Panthers' captain, Tristan Taillefer (16) scored their second goal of the game in the second period, not knowing it would turn out to be the game winner. The Panthers slipped past the Rebels 2-1 to remain in sole possession of second place in the Martin Division with just three weeks away from the playoffs.

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welcome the Richmond Royals to the Palais des Sports on Fri., Feb. 7 at 8

p.m. and welcome the Arnprior Packers on Sun., Feb. 9 at 1:30 p.m.

Peewee B Rep Demons, A finalists

Jeff Moore
Record Staff

ALEXANDRIA—The North Dundas Peewee B Rep Demons travelled to Alexandria on Sun., Jan. 26, for an invitational tournament.

Glens 4 Demons 2

In the tournament final, the Demons took on the hometown team, the Alexandria Glens at 4:30 p.m. The Demons won their first game against the Cornwall Colts 3-2 and squeaked out a 1-0 victory over the North Franklin Shamrocks in their second game to make it to the A final.

The Glens opened the scoring at 5:31 of the first period and took that lead into the second period. The Glens scored the lone goal of the second period at 4:33 and took a 2-0 lead into the third period.

The Glens made it 3-0 just 1:16 into the third period but the Demons bounced back as Josh Lafrance slapped one home from Patrick Guy and Dylan McCarthy to cut the deficit to two.

The Demons closed the gap to one as Ryan Wilson scored his second of the tournament from Nathan Epps at 5:03. The Demons pulled their goalie in favour of an extra attacker but it was just meant to be, as the Glens found the empty goal with just three seconds remaining, taking the game 4-2.

The Demons would have to settle for second place but all had fun. Suffering the loss in the Demons' goal was Liam Sergeant.

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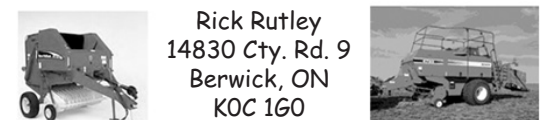
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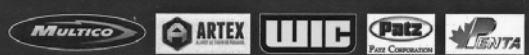
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Peewee B Rep Demons

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Demons 1 Shamrocks 0

In their second game of the tournament, the Demons were the home team to the North Franklin Shamrocks at 1 p.m. and needed a win to make it to the final. The Demons won their opening game against the Cornwall Colts 3-2.

The Demons opened the scoring with just 1:51 remaining in the first period as Jay-Zeus Mbarushimana scored his first goal of the tournament from Patrick Guy and took a 1-0 lead into the second period.

The teams battled to a scoreless second and the Demons took their 1-0 lead

into the final frame. Neither team was able to score in the third period as the Demons won their second game of the tournament 1-0.

Picking up the shutout in the Demons' goal was Kolton Belmonte.

Demons 3 Colts 2

The Demons opened their tournament against the Cornwall Colts in a 9 a.m. early morning matchup.

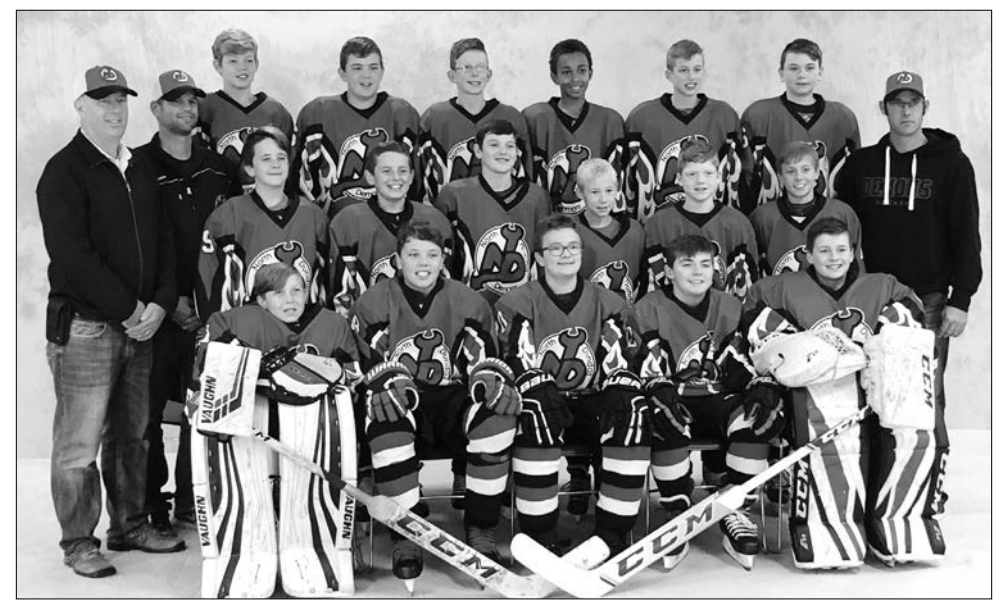
The Demons opened the scoring at 7:19 as Ryan Wilson snapped one home from Tylor Dunham taking a 1-0 lead. The Demons carried the 1-0 lead into the second period. The Demons made it 2-0 when Markus Bols rattled one to the back of the net from Merrick Crawford at 5:44 of the second period but the Colts answered with a pair of

A finalists

The North Dundas Peewee B Rep Demons travelled to Alexandria on Sun., Jan. 26, for an invitational tournament. The Demons won their first two games against the Cornwall Colts and the North Franklin Shamrocks to make it to the A Final but the hometown Glens slipped past them by a score of 4-2. The team members of the Demons are (not in order) Gavin Eikelboom, Ryan Wilson, Donovan Shaver, Merrick Crawford, Ben Drew, Reid Rankin, Dylan McCarthy, Tylor Dunham, Nathan Epps, Patrick Guy, Josh Lafrance, Markus Bols, Jake Weber, Carter Williams, Jay-Zeus Mbarushimana, Liam Sergeant and Kolton Belmonte. The coaches are Sean Williams (HC), Shane Epps (ass't), Mats Bols (ass't) and Greg Sergeant (trainer).

quick goals at 7:32 and with 1:58 remaining in the middle stanza.

The teams took a two-all



draw into the third period. The Demons retook the lead when Dylan McCarthy ripped one home from

Nathan Epps at 6:44. The Colts tried to tie the game but the Demons' defence held them off the scoresheet

taking their first game 3-2. Picking up the win in the Demons' goal was Liam Sergeant.

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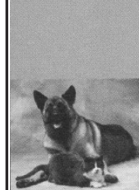
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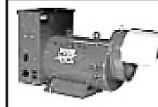


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Dump the Dump rebrands as broad-focused EcoEast

Tom Van Dusen
Villager Staff

RUSSELL – A handful of area residents joined executive members of the Citizens’ Environmental Stewardship Association East of Ottawa (Dump the Dump) at the Russell Legion Thurs., Jan 30 to brainstorm the ongoing transition of the organization beyond a single-focus action group.

Launched 10 years ago to block a landfill and recycling centre in North Russell, much of the association’s original purpose has been completed. Taggart Miller Environmental Services relocated the project to the corner of Boundary and Divine roads in south Ottawa where it has been approved; construction is expected to start in 2021

with completion 18 months later.

Supported by a petition, Dump the Dump is still pushing for a health risk assessment on the site before the final permit to open is granted. Meanwhile, there are others causes to back, said association president Charles Armstrong.

In addition to considering an expanded role for the association, participants were asked to vote on a new logo to go with the new name EcoEast; the chosen symbol shows a stylized tree with the name in English and French.

Among brainstorming topics covered at various tables were habitat regeneration, education, renewable energy, surface water and groundwater protection, local food

systems, waste reduction and pollution from landfills. Some of the topics may be combined to guarantee strong continuing input from citizens’ committees, Armstrong stated.

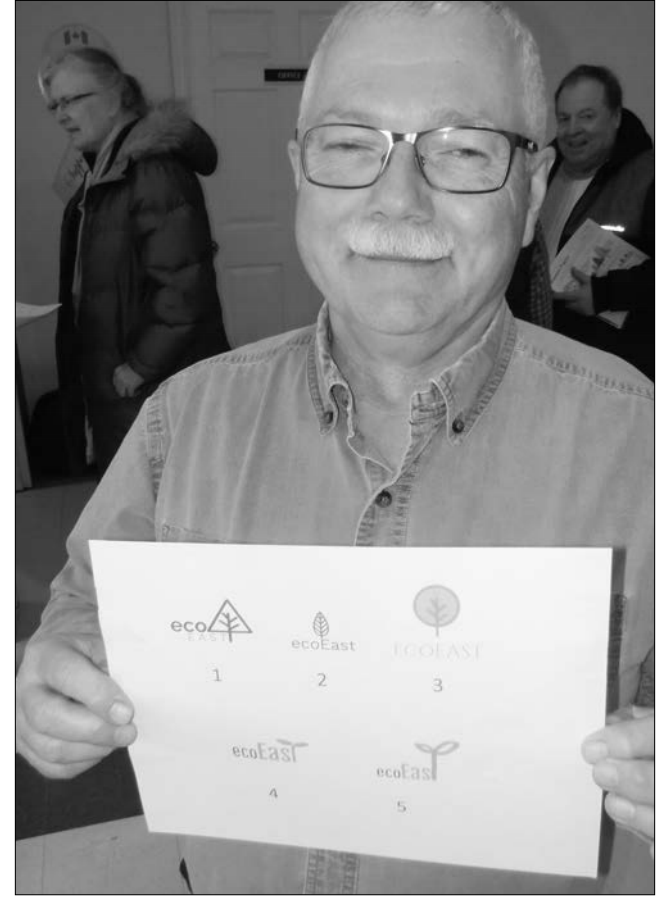
Habitat regeneration would cover erosion, flooding, wildlife and biodiversity reduction due to development, advocating for extended restrictions on deforestation, increased tree plantings, and more green-friendly zoning.

Renewable energy would respond to the climate emergency and support transition to renewable energy; the water protection category would focus on the Castor River and Quarry Lake – which at the moment is privately owned – advocating expanded monitoring and pollution runoff buffers; waste

reduction would back a ban on single-use plastics and celebrate businesses that generate less waste; under the landfill pollution category, EcoEast would continue doing exactly what it’s doing with Taggart Miller, pointing out the threat of contamination and push for human health risk analysis.

The local food category would encourage community garden space, permaculture and organic farming while promoting local products in stores under the farm-to-table banner.

Under education, EcoEast would draw attention to all nagging environmental issues, focusing on youth and marginalized groups in addition to the broader community.



Charles Armstrong displays a few of the logo designs considered by the group. Van Dusen photo

Kin Club lottery tops \$42,000 jackpot

RUSSELL – Records are being broken by the Kin Club of Russell’s Catch the Ace lottery. The Feb. 9 Catch the Ace jackpot will be well over \$42,000, and weekly wins have been more than \$3,000 thanks to support from the community.

The current Catch the Ace lottery, the third licence sponsored by the Kin Club of Russell, offers an online version so that anyone over 18 in Ontario can purchase tickets with a credit card.

Who benefits? Six local charities will receive more than \$7,000 per week from the lottery: Cystic Fibrosis Canada (Ottawa Chapter), Breast Cancer Action Ottawa, Osgoode Care Centre, Russell Minor Hockey Association, Valoris Foundation and Winchester District Memorial Hospital Foundation. These local organizations have expanded both the area and reach for this popular progressive lottery.

The Kin Club of Russell holds its weekly draw on Sundays, 3:15 p.m. at Étienne Brûlé Brewery in Embrun. The patrons contribute to the excitement when the draw happens. The draw is also recorded and posted to the Kin Club of Russell Facebook page, where it is viewed close to two thousand times throughout the week.

Tickets are sold during the week at select ticket outlets.

More information is available at <https://kinclubofrussell.ca>, or on the Kin Club of Russell Facebook page.

Oschmann gets ready for second sweet season

Tom Van Dusen
Villager Staff

ORMOND – After an almost last-minute inaugural season in 2019, South Nation Conservation hopes to increase the popularity of the Oschmann Forest educational sugar bush in 2020.

The donated 18-acre site will open for tours March 16 to April 5. While it marks the second season at this location, it will be the 19th season that SNC has offered maple syrup programming. Previously, it was offered at Sand Road in Moose Creek.

Meanwhile, the 18-acre maple bush and evaporator at Kemptville Campus – mothballed when University of Guelph threw in the towel at its old satellite college – is going back into business this season, drawing sap from 950 taps and producing house brand syrup for sale, as part of a demonstration at the Agroforestry Centre. There may be room in the future for joint programming between the two sites.

The only drawback at Oschmann is that, once again, it won’t demonstrate the actual production of syrup, focusing on the collection and storage of sap and a pleasant, informative walk in the squirrel-infested woods for visiting students. The setup isn’t quite there yet in terms of reducing sap into syrup, says coordinator John Mesman. Instead, SNC is seeking a contractor to manage the taps, lines and storage in return for the sap.

According to Mesman, last year 7,330 gallons of sap were sold to a commercial operator for \$4,440; with high sugar content, it was rated some of the best sap in Eastern Ontario. Expressions of Interest to manage the equipment

over three years have been sought from about 30 operators.

In the inaugural year, nearly 500 K-12 students from nine area schools in groups of up to 50 were hosted over the course of 13 tours. Each participant was – and will be once again – charged \$5. Attendance numbers are down compared with the Sand Road site while SNC manages growth based on year-to-year development of the bush. Visiting students will be given a one- to two-hour bilingual hands-on experience about the production of the natural spring tonic as it evolved from aboriginal traditions through to modern techniques.

Along the way, they’ll be informed about forest ecology and ecosystem management and, this year, there’s an option for a team-building activity to reinforce lessons learned in the forest. A USB loaded with classroom activities will be provided to each tour group to continue maple education back at school.

A farm sugar bush that hadn’t been tapped for years, the Oschmann site was donated with impeccable timing. Some \$60,000 in funding was secured though various partners and many upgrades were implemented, including construction of a parking lot, installation of interpretive trails and signage, construction of a pump-house and other infrastructure including pipelines... which, Mesman complained, resident squirrels regularly chew.



Perfect screen

The Casselman Vikings welcomed the Richmond Royals to the J. R. Brisson Complex on Thurs., Jan. 30, in the CCHL2. The Vikings’ forward, Jason Cossette gets sandwiched between the Royals’ defenseman, Willem Brant and goalie, Darien Johnson as the puck bounces around the goal crease. Cossette scored a goal and a helper in his first game back to lineup after a suspension to help take the game 5-2.

Moore photo

Snowmobile trails owned by UCPR remain closed over insurance issue

L’ORIGINAL – Despite ongoing discussions between a provincial snowmobile club and the United Counties of Prescott and Russell (UCPR) regarding permission to use the land and insurance issues, some trails in the area remain closed to local riders.

UCPR council stated recently that it is prepared to accept the current agreement with the Eastern Ontario Snowmobile Club (EOSC), provided that the UCPR receives the indemnification that is required to protect taxpayers in Prescott and Russell.

The UCPR statement says the new agreement and insurance policy being

proposed this year by the EOSC exclude any coverage for the “willful misconduct and/or negligence on the part of the landowner.” In this case, the UCPR is the landowner of the Larose Forest and the Prescott-Russell Recreational Trail.

“We realize that insurance companies are more restrictive today, in terms of what they are prepared to cover, however the UCPR has received legal advice that it is in the best interests of its ratepayers that we maintain the same insurance requirements from previous agreements, as was the case for many years,” explained Stéphane P. Parisien,

chief administrative officer of the UCPR.

“To be clear, the UCPR is prepared to continue its relationship with the EOSC as per the terms of the previous agreement. Council understands the importance of the snowmobile trails for our economy, and the mayors share the same concerns as the trail users – but ultimately, we have the responsibility to protect our taxpayers from unnecessary and considerable financial risks, which are being imposed by third-party insurance companies,” concluded Pierre Leroux, warden of the UCPR council.

EOSC maintains that the insurance policy offered by the provincial snowmobiling organization has not changed in recent years. Read more about the EOSC position on page 4.

Fun for all at the Marionville Winter Carnival

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

MARIONVILLE – The Marionville Winter Carnival has become a tradition in the community.

The village borders on three municipalities – Ottawa, North Dundas and Russell – and each one makes a contribution to the carnival.

The three-day event began on Fri., Jan. 31 with a spaghetti dinner; after, visitors to the carnival had the opportunity to look over items donated to the silent auction, and later Marionville’s Got Talent Show got underway.

Francois Marion, president of the Marionville Citizens’ Committee, reported: “The Marionville Carnival was a resounding success again this year. Thanks to the many volunteers who helped organize all events. A crowd of close to 200 people showed up at Friday night’s bean and spaghetti dinner, served by the Knights of Columbus, followed by the Marionville’s Got Talent Show.”

Fourteen participants performed in the show. Following the talent show, music was provided by 613DJ for a dance.

Saturday was all about children. Activities from face painting to escape rooms, Pop Up Painting and games swept children away



Capturing the mood of the carnival was the Ménard family. In front, from the left, are: Nicolas, Vincent, Xavier. In the back are, Gaby and her dad Max, and then mom Shanon Ménard.

Morin photo

for the afternoon.

One of the carnival organizers, Rachel Seguin, said that Saturday morning is traditionally devoted to children’s activities.

She said all funds raised by the weekend event go back into the Marionville community.

“This was the second year for the talent show,” she said, and “it went very well.”

One of the volunteers in the kitchen, Noelle Drouin, said she had been volunteering at the carnival

for 40 years. She said the children seemed to like the hot dogs most of all.

As the day wore on, there was public skating outside the community centre, hot chocolate, music and activities put on by the City of Ottawa Rural South Recreation staff. The day ended with the ever-popular trivia night; Marion estimates that 125 participants gathered for the trivia night. This was a fundraiser event for the Seaway Valley Juvenile Girls’ broomball team.



The carnival would not exist without its volunteers. Here volunteers prepare food for 200 hungry children and adults. All of the food was donated. Pictured here are: Francine Dagenais (left) Noelle Drouin, Carol Pharand and Mariette Dagenais.

Morin photo



Performing at the talent show are (from left to right) Céline Dagenais, Nathalie Dagenais, France Dagenais and Alain Brisson.

Courtesy photo, Marion

Sunday featured a family mass at Ste-Thérèse-d’Avila Church.

The mass was followed by a broomball game then a brunch hosted by the

Knights of Columbus at the community centre. About 150 people attended. The day ended with wine tasting with Michel Villeneuve and Les Vergers Villeneuve and

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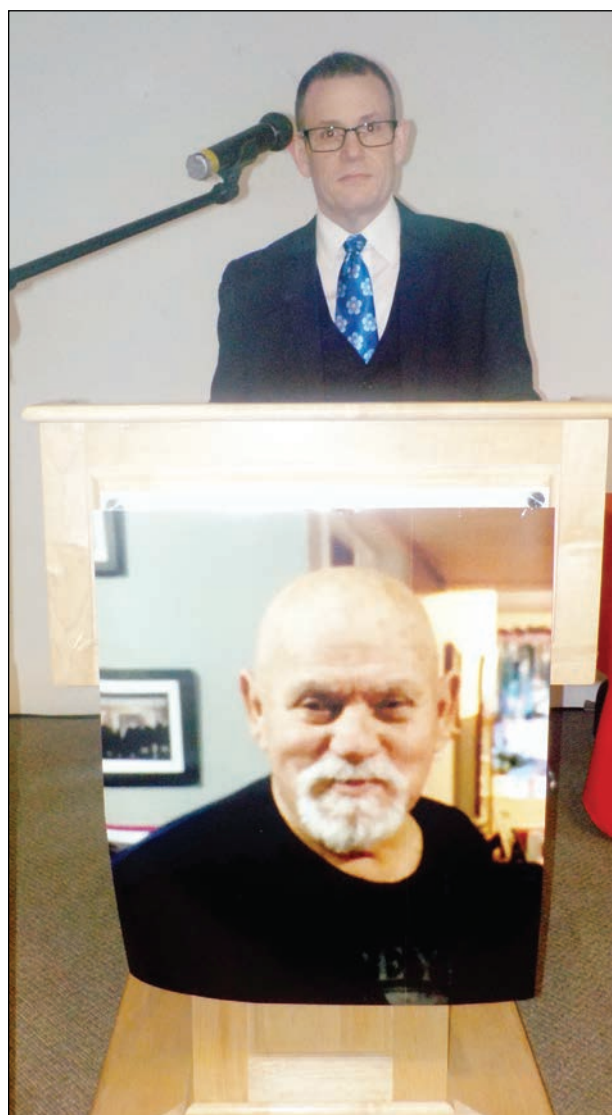
The next significant Marionville community event is the traditional sugar bush dinner and dance on March 21.

Community mourns

Rejean Leroux

A ceremony of life for the late Rejean Leroux, 76, filled the Embrun Community Centre Sat., Feb 1, with well-wishers who extended their condolences, listened to speeches and music, and enjoyed a light lunch. “My dad wanted a party,” said Russell Township Mayor Pierre Leroux, who read an original poem which brought tears to the eyes of many gathered in the hall. The last stanza summed it up: “But life is a journey, and for all it must end. But remember this Dad, we will see you again. For us it will be a lifetime, for you the blink of an eye. The life you gave us was amazing... and that is truly the legacy you leave behind.”

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WDMH prepared for novel coronavirus

WINCHESTER – The team at Winchester District Memorial Hospital has a message for its local communities: We are ready. As always, the hospital is following stringent screening processes to help limit the spread of infectious diseases. This includes the emerging novel coronavirus.

Precautions encourage any patients with a cough or shortness of breath and fever to wash their hands and wear a surgical mask. Patients coming into the Emergency Department will be screened for travel

history. Hospital signage is reinforcing these procedures.

In addition, family and friends who are sick or have symptoms of a respiratory virus should not visit patients in the hospital.

“Everything remains the same for our patients,” adds Cholly Boland. “If you are sick, we want you to come to the hospital and take the necessary precautions. Notify your doctor or a staff member if you have any questions.”

WDMH is receiving regular updates from the Eastern Ontario Health Unit and the Ministry of Health. Updated information will be provided to our communities through the WDMH website and Facebook page.

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