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Briefly

Beyond 21 Fundraising Bottle Drive

CORNWALL – Beyond 21, assists adults with a developmental disability. It is holding a Fundraising Bottle Drive on June 19 and 20. Drop off locations include the plaza in Ingleside, Finch Market in Finch and O'Neill's Pub in Long Sault between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, visit the Beyond 21 Facebook page.

It's Chicken BBQ time

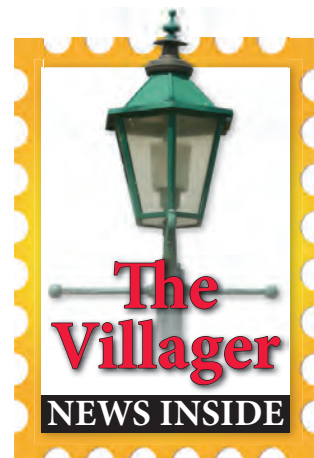
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A good trim makes all the difference

Shirley Coons, president of the Green Action Gang in Chesterville was out working on Tues., June 8 making sure the different flowerbeds in the village were in good shape. Here she is taking a break from trimming the grass around this particular flowerbed beside the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 434 at the intersection of Queen Street and County Rd. 43.

Morin Photo

North Dundas firefighters have new DZ licensing policy

Joseph Morin
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

WINCHESTER – North Dundas firefighters have a new tool in their toolbox to encourage firefighters who want to obtain their DZ driver's licence to apply for one.

The licence is necessary to drive the large fire trucks in each fire station.

Ensuring there are enough credited drivers for the various stations has traditionally been an issue.

In the past, the cost of licence certification was the responsibility of the candidate. They had to come up with the estimated \$1,000 or more necessary to take the licensing course. Once training is successfully completed, the municipality would pay the licensed firefighter back over five years for the training cost.

However, not all firefighters were able to come up with the funds up front. Consequently, it has been more challenging to encourage volunteer firefighters to apply to obtain their DZ licence.

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North Stormont regulates water usage

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

BERWICK – A water crisis in the Village of Crysler has led to the township of North Stormont regulating residents' water consumption.

Council passed a Water Usage Bylaw during the regular June 1 meeting, giving staff permission to regulate the usage of "water from any municipal waterworks at any time between May 1 and Sept. 30 of any year for the purpose of watering lawns, gardens, flowers, hedges, or any other vegetation outside any building." While the bylaw covers all North Stormont, it is being implemented due to water shortage issues stemming from the renovation of Crysler's water tower.

"Is this a result of the town of Crysler using too much water? And does it only

pertain to Crysler," Coun. Roxane Villeneuve asked.

Chief administrative officer (CAO) Craig Calder said the bylaw is in response to the current situation in Crysler, but it is not specific to Crysler, as this is not possible under current legislation. He said it was the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) that noticed the water capacity issue May 31 and they were quite concerned with what they saw.

Councillor Randy Douglas asked if this is standard for municipalities and Calder confirmed that it is standard. Douglas said if this is the case, then this was a gap in North Stormont's policies.

"Given the fact that our resources are limited, I think it's wise for us to start building behaviours across all of North

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South Dundas supports Duncan's suicide hotline

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

MORRISBURG – The Municipality of South Dundas council voted to endorse Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Eric Duncan's 988 Crisis Line Initiative.

Included in the May 25 consent agenda, Deputy Mayor Kirsten Gardner requested Duncan's letter be removed for further discussion. She said it was an important initiative and she would like to see South Dundas officially support it

"I hope if we learned anything out of COVID-19, it's the value of mental health," Gardner said, making a motion to support the crisis line. "It's a piece in a complex puzzle. I think that it's vitally important."

Gardner's council colleagues all agreed, noting the potential for the crisis line to prevent deaths. Councillor Archie Mellan thanked Duncan, who was not in attendance, for bringing the initiative forward.

"Given the vast implications of COVID-19, many Canadians have suffered with mental health issues and their general well-being. With continued social isolation and heightened anxiety, rates of alcohol and drug abuse have increased significantly. Current reports have further show rising levels of domestic violence and suicide ideation," Duncan said in his letter to council, noting that he has seconded a Private Members Bill C-294 to create the three-digit national suicide prevention hotline. "With this easy to remember hotline, Canadians from across the country would receive immediate help in times of crisis. Rather than using the current 10-digit number that adds unnecessary barriers, this simple to use 988 suicide hotline may save the lives of many vulnerable Canadians."

To market, to market



There is something excitingly special when markets in the area open with people able to enjoy some time outdoors and peruse the selection of goods at vendors' booths. On Fri., June 4, the Long Sault Farmers' Market opened with a steady stream of customers visiting the market located next to the plaza in that South Stormont community. With COVID-19 pandemic protocols in place to protect visitors and vendors alike, people were able to choose from a selection of products. Linda Brunet is pictured here with some of her home-made pickles, jellies, and jams.

Thompson Goddard Photo



There was a steady stream of people visiting opening day at the Williamsburg Country Market located at Jays Tire & Automotive, 4358 hwy 31, Williamsburg, on Sun., June 6. Vendors provided lots of opportunity to choose something special for your home or garden or perhaps a gift for yourself! The official opening is planned for next Sun., June 13 at 10 a.m., with more information available on their Facebook page.

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ND firefighters

Continued from the front

Firefighting in rural Ontario serve their communities as volunteers.

When they obtain a DZ licence, they own that licence. If they serve as firefighters for a few years and then leave the fire service, they take that licence with them; the cost of a licence is usually the municipality's responsibility which would then be lost, and a new volunteer firefighter would have to be found who has the resources to pay for DZ training.

The new North Dundas Driver Certification Program policy addresses the challenge of individual firefighters having to pay the \$1,000 fee up front.

The new policy has the municipality cover the cost of the licence right from the beginning for a candidate. If the cost exceeds \$1,000, the candidate is expected to pay the difference at the end of their training.

Any of the four fire chiefs in North Dundas can nominate two firefighters each for training. The candidates are sent for evaluation and a cost assessment is made regarding how much it will cost to train the candidate.

The important difference between past policies and this new one is that a firefighter will not have to bear the burden of a \$1,000 licence-training bill, the municipality now pays for it.

Finding the best candidates and volunteers who will make a significant commitment to their fire service is key to the new program. Fire chiefs are expected to look for that commitment and dedication in a firefighter when they recommend them for the training.

The policy states: "Only employees, including firefighters, who require a DZ licence in performance of their duties for the township, and who are recommended by their Department Head and approved by the CAO, are eligible to receive training through the North Dundas Driver Certification Program."

Chesterville fire chief, Michael Gruich presented the updated policy to the North Dundas council at the May 25 council meeting.

Gruich said, "It also specifies firefighter training recommendations to ensure that there are an adequate number of firefighters per station possessing a DZ licence and the process to review the potential candidates recommended for training."

One of the criteria for a candidate to be considered is that they have one year of service with the fire department.

"Fire chiefs or deputy chiefs will now be able to recommend a candidate for driver training and the township will cover the \$1,000 cost of the training including costs incurred, for specific firefighters from their station to obtain their DZ licence."

If a firefighter does not complete the DZ training or fails it, they are responsible for the cost of the course, not the municipality.

Creating the policy was not an easy task.

Deputy mayor Al Armstrong who is also the municipality's fire commissioner said, "It has been a lengthy process."

Holding several meetings to hammer out a policy that was good for everyone was a challenge.

"There were many meetings to look at different options and as it evolved more questions came up," said Armstrong. "The one thing that was constant was that we do have an issue of having enough drivers for each of our stations."

The fire commissioner believes the policy is one that everyone can agree on.

"I think this is something everyone is happy with," he said.

"We gave a lot of latitude to the chiefs to promote and acknowledge the people they feel should become drivers in their stations."

To transition from the previous "reimbursement" program under the original Driver Certification Program Training Policy to the new training fee coverage process, any drivers currently being reimbursed in equal payments over five years will be paid the outstanding amount in full.



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Benefits of living in a pandemic-induced virtual world

It has been well over a year since the COVID-19 pandemic first hit Canada. This life-altering pestilence has left a lot of heartache and loss in its wake with many dying, while others are left with long-term health concerns. Some have been dubbed essential workers, forced to continue as before, underpaid and underappreciated, but with the bonus of being entered into a game of chance, sick or not, where the winner survives to see the world post-pandemic.

Then there are those of us fortunate enough to be overlooked by the virus, those who have faced minor changes, like staying home or wearing masks and socially distancing when we do go out. It is from this privileged perspective that I see some positives – forced changes caused by COVID-19 that I hope will remain post-pandemic.

While I can probably list several benefits – like being forced to stop, slow down, and re-examine the way we live, work, and play – I

want to focus on one specific, seemingly insignificant, benefit I did not see coming: virtual meetings.

Prior to the pandemic I avoided virtual meetings even though they would have saved me time and money. If I am honest, the idea scared me. I felt like I would be exposed, like those attending in-person would be watching and analyzing me on a large screen in the centre of the room.

Today, thanks to the pandemic, online meetings are commonplace and beneficial. The virtual world has addressed many societal inequities. (It needs to be noted there are still many without access to computers or the internet and this large inequity should be rectified immediately.) Back to my point – the virtual world has increased access to meetings and more.

Take council meetings, for example. As a reporter, I covered my first council meeting a decade ago. With bi-weekly meetings, I can say on average only one person, other than media, attended regularly. Initially I thought the reason was disinterest in local government, but since the onset of the pandemic, and the push for local councils to use virtual alternatives to in-person meetings, there has been an increase in the number of people attending. People may be more interested in what local politicians are doing, but my guess is that access is playing the lead role in

rising attendance.

Most council meetings are held on a weekday evening, lasting, at times, for several hours. Done virtually, those without transportation can attend, those with physical challenges can attend, and those who are out of town can attend. Virtual platforms add increased access when they are recorded and posted. For instance, those who are unavailable at the time of the meeting can still watch, such as essential workers,

parents caring for small children, or those with multiple meetings scheduled at the same time.

In my case, as someone with concentration issues and an inability to sit and listen for long periods of time, I can still attend these recorded council meetings. Recovering from a minor brain injury, this new reality allows me to choose when and where I work. I can choose how long I work at any given time, and I can watch a meeting more than once. In addition, as someone who covers multiple councils, it allows

me to attend every meeting, as there are many weeks when two townships may schedule their council meetings at the same time.

On a personal note, I recently attended a two-day summit in British Columbia from the comfort of home. Pre-pandemic, cost and time constraints would have made this impossible. Virtual platforms increase accessibility. I hope in a post-pandemic world they continue to be an option because not all of us will be able to join when councils return to in-person meetings.

Sandy Casselman

NDDHS Report

By Jamie Wilson
Student Council Communications

Indigenous Recognition



June is Indigenous Recognition & LGBTQ+ Pride Month

The month of June is Indigenous Recognition month. It is important to recognize the strength of the Indigenous Peoples of Canada, learn about their culture, and honour their history.

The bodies of 215 children were just recently discovered at the site of a former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. This is devastating news and has been a call to realize that residential schools are not just a part of our history; there are residential school survivors alive today. At North Dundas, we have been sharing residential school survivors' stories on our school's social media accounts.

Please take the time to read or watch the posts and be a part of reconciliation for the children who never got to go home. June is also LGBTQ+ Pride Month.

We are having a pride/rainbow-themed day on Fri., June 11. LGBTQ+ youth face many challenges; they are more likely to be bullied, they endure hateful comments in person and online for just being who they are, and many experience abuse and abandonment from their families. Every student deserves to feel safe at school and in life, so let's raise awareness and work together against homophobic and transphobic attitudes.

No matter who you are or who you love, be proud of yourself and know that there are people who love and support you.

Mr. Bourne emailed all North Dundas families about Grade 8 and Grade 12 graduation plans at the end of last week.

School will continue online for the remaining weeks of the school year. At this point, both graduation ceremonies will be virtual as well.

Grade 8 graduation is scheduled for Tues., June 22 at 7:00 p.m., and Grade 12 graduation on Wed., June 23 at 7:00 p.m. There will also be drive-thru graduation on Thurs., June 24 and Fri., June 25.

Final arrangements for this in-person portion of graduation have not been made yet. Stay tuned for more information.

Agriculture appreciation

Over the past several months we have been brought to the realization that our lives can be turned upside down in a quick moment. Life is so fast-paced that we don't stop to realize the little things that can have such a large impact on our daily life.

Yes, some may argue that they can just walk into the grocery store and the products they want are there. That may be true, but also realize that the safety and availability of that food is reliant on that strong agricultural community in Canada.

The agricultural sector is a vital part of our community. Farming is not for everyone. Yes, there are days that are more enjoyable than others, but overall people farm because they have a passion for the crop or livestock that they are producing. It is definitely one of those professions that require a strong love of what you do.

If we have learned anything, hopefully, we recognize the importance of having a strong stable agricultural production sector in Canada.

Who would have believed that just a few months ago, we could brag about how quickly we could receive something from anywhere in the world. Now, we realize that if there is a major glitch in that system, we want to know that we can safely produce as many products as possible here at home.

Support local has been well embraced by the members of this community and as we celebrate June as dairy month, enjoy those treats. But, also keep in mind the local farmers' markets and independent producers that are in your immediate area. They not only provide healthy fresh produce, but they also strive to ensure your food is sustainable and safe.

As we prepare to reopen in Eastern Ontario, remember those local producers and check where your purchases are coming from. If we do not support Canadian agriculture, we are at the mercy of other countries to supply us with our food supply.

Agriculture in Eastern Ontario is strong and with the continued support of your families, agriculture will remain an economic engine for us.

Linda Vogel

Letter

Mr. Eric Duncan, MP of Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry,

We are writing to you today regarding the discovery of the remains of First Nations' children at Kamloops Indian Residential School.

As residents of SD&G, we are fortunate for our proximity to Akwesasne and all that that brings diversity, access to the Mohawk language, art, culture and food, friendships, and the opportunity to learn from the past and to make reparations.

We, like others, were incredibly disheartened by the discovery of the remains of 215 Indigenous children, some as young as three years old.

Our country celebrated the creation of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, but this celebration was premature. More than five years after

the release of the final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, we have not seen significant progress on the 94 calls to action.

Our government continues to fight residential school survivors in court. Our government continues to carry on the legacy of empty promises, colonialism, and abuse. Our country's Indigenous residents continue to struggle with poverty, depression, criminalization and discrimination at disproportionate rates. A country as rich and diverse as ours must protect and build up its most vulnerable, and it is time that we commit to the calls to action and to justice being served for Indigenous communities.

It is not enough to lower our flags and make public apologies. We implore you to urge our government to

search all residential schools in Canada to bring home the remains of the thousands of children who never returned home from residential schools, so that these communities can find some sense of closure, to stop fighting survivors in court, to implement all 94 calls to action immediately and to provide the support needed to ensure that our history of colonialism and genocide ends here and now.

We are so fortunate to have Akwesasne as our neighbours, and we owe it to our neighbours to take meaningful steps towards reconciliation.

On behalf of the board of directors of Diversity Cornwall, I thank you in advance for your support.

Elizabeth Quenville
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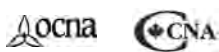
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Henderson Meats prepares for the future with partnership purchase

Joseph Morin
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – Three farming businesses have come together to purchase Tom Henderson Meats & Abattoir Inc. in Chesterville. One of the remaining abattoirs in the region, it completes a production circle so necessary for a healthy agricultural industry in Eastern Ontario.

Betty and Tom Henderson have operated the abattoir for the past 40 years. The time finally came when they wanted to retire.

They wanted to sell their business in such a way that it would continue to serve Eastern Ontario and have a healthy future. They have been looking for just the right time and people to hand their operation to. Three separate entities came together to take over the abattoir.

Beef and dairy farmer Eric Patenaude owner of La Ferme Gillette Inc., located in Embrun; Golden Rail Farm specializing in hogs owned by Beatrice and Devon Hakvoort from Finch and Ottawa Valley Meats, (OVM) have come together to ensure Henderson Meats remains a viable part of their industry.

When Tom and Betty decided to retire, the concern for many farmers in the area was that they would lose access to an indispensable part of their industry. With the purchase and transition taking place this past May, the future of the abattoir seems to be secure.

They will still be accepting custom beef and hog orders.

Tom Henderson said, "It will change some because they will be handling more meat because they are really growing. We are selling meat to anybody who wants to buy meat."

In the past, Henderson had worked with all of the new partners in one way or another, and now that they have taken over he is confident they

will continue the tradition he started.

"It's a good thing," he said regarding the future of the business within the agricultural industry.

He said his wife Betty was relieved and happy to have made the decision to sell.

"It was getting harder and harder. It was getting too much for me. You need younger minds," he said.

Henderson has agreed to continue working with the new buyers for the next few months until they get on their feet. His son will continue to work there as well.

The couple moved into a new home and are busy setting it up and they have plans to take time off for a cruise when the world opens up.

Ottawa Valley Meats will be looking after the day-to-day operations at the abattoir. The meat distribution company located in Ottawa is a perfect choice for the business deal, providing the necessary distribution know-how complementing the beef and hog operations of the other two partners.

The idea to form a partnership has been hanging in the air for some time.

"Me and Golden Rail have been playing with the idea for two years and finally we matched up with Ottawa Valley Meats. It was a good match. It is a way to secure your market," said Patenaude.

"We are ramping up production over there. The demand is there. We are trying to meet that demand. Right now, every abattoir around is booked a year in advance. So we are trying to clear up that waiting list," he said.

The group has been managing the place now for three weeks, and without any interruptions in operation.

Patenaude said, "We kept the same staff and hired more and created a second shift and we are looking forward to the next couple of weeks bringing in a third shift."

Both La Ferme Gillette and Golden Rail have more than enough on their respective plates to try and manage the abattoir. That's where OVM comes in with their business and distribution experience.

"When we were looking for the right partners we new we could not manage the place on our own. As we are busy enough running our own farming operation," said Patenaude.

Patenaude looks after a 650 head dairy herd and Devon and Beatrice Hakvoort of Golden Rail Farms has about 3,000 pigs on their farm.

The two farms accounted for the lion's share of the abattoir's business.

Patenaude, a fifth-generation farmer said, "We were probably the largest supplier of beef for Henderson's per month and when we started hearing there might be another buyer it motivated us even more to pull the trigger on this. We did not know what was going to happen. It was too uncertain."

Devon and Beatrice Hakvoort took over their farm in 2001.

"Securing our market place is a big part of the reason why I did it," said Devon.

"Beatrice is doing all of the accounting and paper work," he added. Because of the pandemic it has been a challenge from time to time to find a place to send his hogs.

"I first talked with Eric Patenaude of Gillette Farms. I approached him and got his thoughts on it. I had just started doing business with OVM at that time," said Hakvoort.

"A long story short, several months later here we are."

"Not all of my hogs are going through there yet but that is my end goal. It just takes time, and I believe we have the right people to get to where we want to go," he said.

NS water usage

Continued from the front Stormont," Coun. Steve Densham said. "Thank them for their patience. Infrastructure like this requires maintenance. I really appreciate the fact that as a community, Crysler pulls together to help their neighbours, and this is just another example."

The municipality issued a statement to Crysler residents via its Facebook page on June 1: "There shall be no external watering of lawns and gardens due to the limited capacity available from the temporary water shortage while the water tower is being repainted."

Some residents questioned the timing of the work, suggesting there could have been better planning done on the part of the township. Someone said many residents had purchased plants and suggested that these could be lost due to the new water conservation measure.

"This work cannot be completed during the wintertime. Upgrades to the tower are necessary and certainly OCWA will provide long-term benefits. We're trying to minimize the impact on the rest of the township," Calder told council during the June 1 meeting. He said that while staff was currently focused on Crysler, if a draught were to arise, then staff would need to enforce the new bylaw throughout the township.

Following council's approval of the new Water Usage Bylaw, a new statement was posted online outlining the work to be done to Crysler's water tower, as well as the timeline and potential repercussions to residents during that time. It was noted that Dayson Industrial Services Inc. is doing the work, while OCWA is responsible for the operational components of the project. The work is estimated to take 12 weeks. It began May 26 and is expected to last until the end of August.

"Temporary storage is being provided by three potable water tanks located on site at Crysler's Water Treatment Plant," the new Facebook post stated. "System pressure will be maintained throughout the

project using OCWA's portable high lift pumping trailer. While every attempt will be made to stabilize system pressures, there may be occurrences of both high and low-system pressure throughout the village while the water tower is offline."

The ban on water usage for Crysler residents was removed on June 3 and residents were asked to reduce their water consumption to ensure that water is available when needed. All North Stormont residents were asked to read the new bylaw, which is available on the township website.

As per the bylaw, from May 1 to Sept. 30, residents of even-numbered buildings are permitted to use water for lawn-associated purposes on Mondays, Wednesdays, and

Fridays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., while those from odd-numbered properties can do so on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. There is no watering permitted on Sundays. Exceptions can be made for newly installed sod, but the landowner must contact the municipality prior to using the water.

In a related issue, on June 4, the South Nation Conservation (SNC) declared a Level 1 Low Water Condition for its entire watershed in Eastern Ontario. In the issued statement, SNC asked residents and businesses to voluntarily reduce their water consumption by 10 per cent to help mitigate the impacts of low water on municipal water supplies.



CAROLYN GOUDREAU (Née Walsh)

Date of birth : July 26th 1960
Date of death : June 5th 2021

On Saturday, June 5th 2021, in Cumberland Ontario, Carolyn passed away peacefully at the age of 60, beloved wife of Alain Goudreau and loving mother of Emilie and Daniel, and daughter-in-law Kaylyn.

She is survived by her dear parents, Joseph Walsh and Elaine (Grady) Walsh, her siblings Joanne (Richard), Matt (Corinna), John (Leona) and Jacqueline (Tom), as well as many brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

The family would like to thank the caring staff at The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre and Home Care Services.

If desired, donations may be made to the Ottawa Hospital Foundation for cancer research.

Due to pandemic restrictions, a private ceremony will be held at a later date.

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Turtles on the move in RRCA conservation areas

Vincent Pilon
Public Information Coordinator

CORNWALL – The arrival of warmer weather has been attracting more than local residents to the Raisin Region Conservation Authority (RRCA)’s three Conservation Areas in the region. Turtles are now a frequent sight at Cooper Marsh, Charlottenburgh Park and Gray’s Creek Conservation Areas, either basking on floating logs and platforms, or nesting where appropriate locations are found.

“Females will be on the lookout for ideal nesting sites,” says Brendan Jacobs, stewardship specialist at the RRCA. “They will often nest on open trails and in gardens or lawns, where the loose, well drained, and sunlit soil makes for ideal nesting conditions. Unfortunately, they often choose roadside shoulders for the same reason, and so expose themselves to being injured or killed by motor vehicles,” he adds.

Jacobs urges motorists to drive with caution and pay attention to turtle crossing signs in the area. “Should you happen to see a turtle on a roadway, if it is safe to do so, you can help it to cross by lifting it with a hand on each side of the turtle, between the front and back legs, and bringing it to the

other side of the road in the direction it was originally heading,” Jacobs says, adding that people should stay at least 10 meters away from a nesting turtle.

The RRCA’s Conservation Areas are an important turtle habitat. The RRCA will be constructing and installing fifteen additional turtle basking platforms at Cooper Marsh during the month of June. “These platforms will both enhance the turtle habitat at Cooper Marsh and provide an increased opportunity for visitors to see and experience turtles in their natural environment,” says Jessica Herrington, stewardship coordinator at the RRCA, who is overseeing the project.

Turtle sightings can be reported to Ontario Nature’s Reptile and Amphibian Atlas at www.ontarionature.org.

Conservation Area visitors are reminded to clean up after their dogs and keep them on a leash. Dogs are not permitted at Cooper Marsh due to the sensitive nature of the habitat. Visitors are also reminded to follow COVID-19 public health guidelines and to be mindful of ticks whenever they spend time in nature.

For directions to the RRCA’s Conservation Areas visit rrca.on.ca or contact (613) 938-3611 or info@rrca.on.ca.



We will remember

In late May, it was announced that the remains of 215 children who attended the Kamloops Indian Residential School in British Columbia were discovered on the grounds of the school. A memorial for these children was held on the grounds of Christ Church United in Chesterville.

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South Nation Conservation declares Level I Low Water Condition

FINCH – Despite the rain received this week, South Nation Conservation (SNC) has issued a Level I Low Water Condition for its entire watershed in Eastern Ontario.

Due to a drier than usual spring and the lack of precipitation, conditions in the South Nation River Watershed now meet the threshold for a Level I Low Water status under the Ontario Low Water Response Program.

Low Water Conditions are determined based on precipitation and stream flow indicators. Stream flows within SNC’s watershed are below average for this time of year. However, the lack of precipitation is the leading factor in the current low water status. Records indicate that precipitation over the past three months was at least below 80 per cent normal.

While in Level I status, SNC asks residents and

businesses to reduce their water consumption by 10 per cent to help mitigate the impacts of low water conditions.

Water consumption can be reduced by limiting non-essential uses and with the following water conservation practices:

1. Repair all leaks around the home.
2. If you must water your lawn, early morning or late evening watering reduces evaporation.
3. Use a pail of soapy water to wash your car and rinse it off quickly with a hose.
4. Water plants with water collected in a rain barrel.
5. If you must run the tap, save the excess water for watering plants.

Of the three levels of Low Water Conditions, a Level I indicates that there is the potential of a water supply problem should current precipitation and stream flow trends persist.

A Level II condition indicates minor supply issues may be apparent and conservation and non-essential restriction is adopted, and a Level III condition indicates the failure of the water supply to meet demand.

Under the Ontario Low Water Response Program, each Conservation Authority forms a Water Response Team to ensure that the public is provided with advance warning of reduced water availability, and that related decisions are made by local stakeholders, including representatives from provincial and municipal governments, agriculture, and special interest groups.

SNC will continue to monitor watershed conditions and will provide updates as required. To better understand local conditions; landowners, businesses, and industries are encouraged to contact SNC if they are experiencing any unusual water-related problems.



A snapping turtle crossing a road, while another is seen nesting on the roadside shoulder at the RRCA’s Gray’s Creek Conservation Area. Courtesy Photo

North Stormont sets up for online payments

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

BERWICK – Township of North Stormont residents will soon be able to pay some of their municipal bills through the municipality’s website.

During the June 1 council meeting, staff recommended that council authorize chief administrative officer (CAO) Craig Calder to enter into an agreement with Paymentus for online bill payments. It was noted that staff would like the feature to be in place when the municipality’s new website goes live to the public.

“Paymentus will provide residents with an easy and secure option for bill payments through the township website,” deputy-treasurer Amanda Alexander said. “This platform is also compatible with VADIM software, which is ideal for managing transactions, including refunds, and reconciling online activity to the trial balance. Being that Paymentus is user-fee based, there is no cost associated to register since it’s the users that are charged a percentage of the amount they wish to pay online. Paymentus offers a variety of payment methods to residents including debit, credit, PayPal, and more.”

Councillor Steve Densham raised questions concerning the amount of the user fee, what bills can be paid using the service, and whether any neighbouring municipalities are using Paymentus. Alexander said the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SDG) currently use this platform for court payment fees and she noted that the

township of South Glengarry had recently registered with the company, as well.

As for the user fees, she explained that the total will be a percentage of the bill amount with the user fee going to the company. Alexander said a user-fee setup ensures that North Stormont’s residents are not paying for others to use the service.

Currently, there will only be the option to pay bills that have an account number, or some sort of identification number attached to the invoice so that the company and the township can ensure the right person is being credited for the payment. Property taxes, for example, can be paid using this service, but, for now, permits must be paid in the usual method. Staff is looking into the potential of expanding the list of what can be paid using this service.

Some councillors expressed concern about protecting resident payment information. Alexander said it is similar to paying bills online through the bank and if residents choose to use the service, the transaction will be between the resident and Paymentus.

“One of two visions of this new website is to realize online payments,” Calder said. “It’s convenience for the client.”

Council voted unanimously in favour of the recommendation.

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Filling the shelves one donation at a time

A two day, Covid-friendly food drive organized by the Iroquois-Matilda Lions Club (IMLC) was very successful in having money and food donated for Community Food Share. The event was held near the Foodland Iroquois store at the plaza on Fri., June 5 and Sat., June 6, with Club members accepting monetary and food donations. Lion Evonne Delegarde explained that the food drive was the IMLC contribution to the International Lions Club goal of feeding one million people world-wide by June 24-25 when the International Lions Club convention is being held virtually. On behalf of the IMLC, Delegarde expressed her thanks to the community and Lion Mike Eastman, owner of Foodland Iroquois, for the support shown. More information on the IMLC and their upcoming events can be found on their Facebook page which included a fundraising draw for either beer or groceries for a year and a chicken barbecue on June 26. From the left: Lion David Horne, Lion Linda Testerink, Lion Shirley Pettinger, Lion Evonne Delegarde and Lion Vince Lauzon.

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They're at it again: Sisters for Life launch Canada Day Raffle for WDMH Foundation

WINCHESTER – This just in! The Sisters for Life team has launched a Canada Day Cash Raffle in support of the WDMH Foundation's Digital Mammography Fund. The first prize winner will take home \$1,000. Second prize is \$300, and third prize is \$200. Tickets are only \$5 each, and the draw will take place June 29. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold.

The North Stormont-area Sisters for Life team has been fundraising to fight cancer since 2013. To date, they have raised more than \$164,000. The Sisters have fun planning events that celebrate life; bringing together a community of friends and family who love to connect and have fun. Purpose, camaraderie, and joy earmark every gathering and those that attend create

memories that last a lifetime.

"These energetic and generous women are always coming up with new ideas to support cancer care and research," says Cindy Ault Peters, manager of direct mail & events. "We are so grateful for their support of WDMH."

For full details on how to purchase a raffle ticket, visit the Sisters for Life Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sistersforlife>. You can also send an email to Kim Casselman (kcsb15@hotmail.com) or Angie Beehler (a2beehler@gmail.com), with your name, address and phone number. Tickets are available for purchase via e-transfer, with the password 'raffle'. You will receive an email with your receipt and a photo of your ticket.



Sisters for Life team kicks off Canada Day cash raffle.

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It's berry time

There was a steady stream of customers at Dentz Orchards and Berry Farm, located north of Iroquois, purchasing fresh pre-picked strawberries. Cathy Dentz, shown in photo, commented that the strawberries have been available for sale since Fri., May 28, the earliest strawberry start in the farm's 64-year history. She mentioned the berries are picked daily and are of an early variety grown under row cover to help them mature more quickly. The majority of their June-bearer strawberries will be ready soon, and they will have a limited supply of an everbearing variety available until the first frost. When asked about the changeable weather and its effect on strawberry plants, she explained that the fluctuating temperatures have stressed the plants but fortunately, they were able to protect their berry crop from last week's frost with overhead irrigation. She suggested to check their Facebook page, Instagram account or website, www.dentzfarm.com, for updates on the strawberry u-pick season, raspberry season and other crops grown at their farm.

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Council denies fee-break for Finch property owner

Sandy Casselman

Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

BERWICK – Township of North Stormont politicians recently denied a property owner’s request for a reduced rate on their water and sewer fees.

Council members were faced with the decision during the June 1 regular meeting. The owner of a commercial property on Main Street in Finch submitted a letter requesting a reduction of the water rate from the quarterly rate of \$255.73 to the annual vacant lot rate of \$117.59. It was also requested that this new rate be retroactive to March 2019, which would mean a refund for amounts already paid.

“Is this a potentially slippery slope,” asked Coun. Randy Douglas. Chief administrative officer (CAO) Craig Calder said that staff is not in support of this request but brought it forward for council to decide.

Councillor Steve Densham asked if this lower rate would be normal for a commercial property that has had its water shut off. Deputy-treasurer Amanda Alexander said it would not be normal, as there is a bylaw mandating a flat rate be paid regardless.

“The resident has been billed as per bylaw 24-2021 for water and sewer fees and charges. Section 8 states ‘there shall be no monetary compensation if the water and/or sewer service has been shut off; flat

rate billing applies to all accounts,’” Alexander said. “In order to make an exception to bylaw 24-2021, council approval is required.

Councillor Roxane Villeneuve said she would support the rate change, but not the reimbursement of a retroactive amount. Densham said he would not support an exemption. He said an amendment to the bylaw would need to be made and he would not support that either. The bylaws have been well thought out before being implemented and a change to the bylaw now could negatively impact the municipality’s budget, Densham said.

“We have users on the system. We don’t have many, and this is our only way of establishing our rates,” Deputy Mayor François Landry said, noting that the change could lead to an increase in the fees. Landry also agreed with Douglas and Densham, noting that an approval of the request could set a precedent.

With the option to vote on the request or to defer it, council chose to vote with Villeneuve calling for a recorded vote. With Mayor Jim Wert absent, the final vote was 3-1 against the recommendation with Villeneuve being the only politician in support of the request.

Shopping local in South Stormont

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

SOUTH STORMONT – South Stormont is holding an “Every Dollar Counts Challenge” between June 1 and June 25. This challenge invites customers who make a purchase at any local business in the municipality to enter a weekly draw for a \$50 gift certificate from a South Stormont business of your choice. Draw dates are June 4, June 11, June 18 and June 25.

During the month of May, the township of South Glengarry ran a similar program designed to encourage local spending. Chris Hemond, economic development/communications coordinator for South Stormont, heard about the South Glengarry program during a meeting with other SDG economic development officers and thought it might be a good idea to hold the “Every

Dollar Counts Challenge” in this municipality.

He explained people are invited to fill out a ticket, available online at southstormont.ca/EveryDollarCounts, after each purchase at a South Stormont business, and submit it online. He continued every ticket stays in for the duration of the challenge and the method for the delivery of the gift card to the winner will be determined on an individual basis.

Hemond commented he is pleased with the response to the program, which began on June 1, mentioning forty ballots were entered in time for the first draw on Fri., June 4. He continued how the “Every Dollar Counts Challenge” is expected to develop an increased awareness of the importance of shopping local and hopes that another SDG municipality will take up the challenge for July.

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Dated at Winchester, Ontario this 4th day of June, 2021.

JEAN RUNIONS, Executor,

By her solicitor herein,

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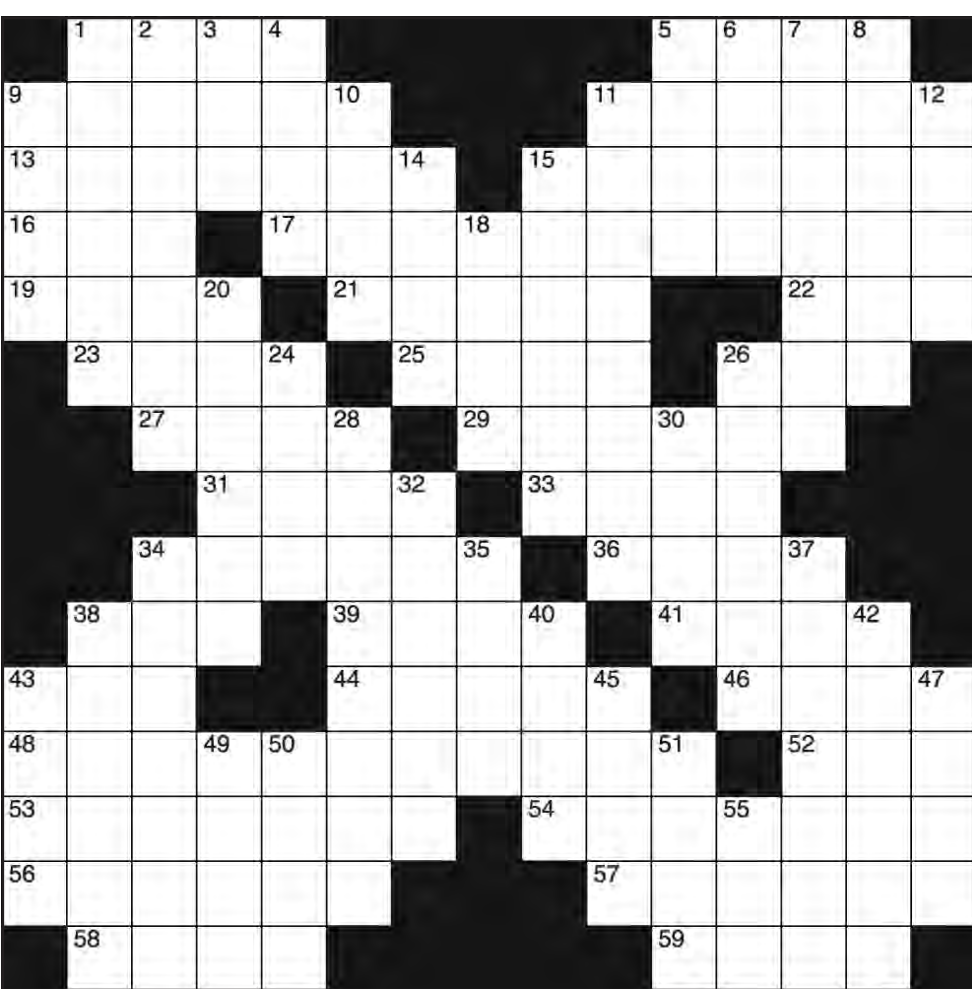
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 10, 2021

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Partner to "flows"
5. French industrial city
9. Diagrams
11. Diplomat
13. Hires
15. Hawaiian island
16. Set aflame
17. Very happy
19. Blue dye
21. Small terrier with short legs
22. One thousand cubic feet (abbr.)
23. Northern pike genus
25. Expression of annoyance
26. Female deer
27. Casella and Kellerman are two
29. Actor's lines to audience
31. Days (Spanish)

- 33. Close a person's eyes
34. Cloaked
36. Comedic actor Rogen
38. It's all around us
39. Neutralizes alkalis
41. Native people of New Mexico
43. No seats available
44. Famed "Air Music" composer
46. Fit of irritation
48. Psychic phenomena
52. Knicks' first-rounder Toppin
53. Seed used in cooking
54. "WandaVision" actress Hahn
56. Samples food
57. In a lucid way
58. Stair part
59. Adieus

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Type of moth
2. A Christian sacrament
3. It lends books to Bostonians (abbr.)
4. Turn away
5. Impersonal
6. Shortly
7. Indigenous Alaskans
8. Subtle difference of meaning
9. Sicilian city
10. Put in harmony
11. Administrative divisions
12. As happily
14. Horse mackerel
15. Muddy or boggy ground
18. Monetary unit of Italy
20. Construction site machine
24. 22

- 26. Tracts at the mouths of rivers
28. Earnings
30. Insect repellent
32. Runner-up
34. Musician
35. Serious or urgent
37. Esteemed one
38. Where rockers play
40. Work furniture
42. Greek prophetesses
43. Quantitative fact
45. Missing soldiers
47. Minute
49. This (Spanish)
50. Maintain possession of
51. Assault with a knife
55. Holiday text message greeting

PUZZLE SOLUTION grid showing the filled-in crossword puzzle.

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Crossword puzzles can fill empty hours with an entertaining and educational activity. However, there are many other benefits to doing crossword puzzles that may surprise even the most ardent puzzle enthusiasts.

Welcome back to summer travel and an elegant place to stay

WINCHESTER – With summer just around the corner and pandemic restrictions beginning to ease, many are starting to plan for a vacation.

Terrace Green Bed and Breakfast in Winchester is hoping to catch the wave of people expected to want to do a bit of sightseeing and travelling as summer arrives.

The bed and breakfast located half way between the National Capital and the St. Lawrence Seaway offers five acres of gardens, beautifully appointed rooms and excellent service.

Owned and operated by Jim and Annette Turner Angus, Terrace Green has enjoyed a 15-year run and like most other businesses in the area, has been patiently waiting for better times.

The pandemic basically took away all of their customers.

While they have been waiting for restrictions to lift, they have gone ahead with renovations to the grounds; new brick steps and a walkway along with a new accessibility ramp have been added.

“We had everything done just before Covid hit,” said Annette.

Currently Terrace Green is in the middle of a spring-cleaning while it waits for travellers to arrive.

Annette is optimistic that the summer will bring a return to normal capacity for her bed and breakfast.

“I was looking at the numbers and we are down 70 per cent in the first quarter,”

SMALL BUSINESS Spotlight



Annette looks after her garden, getting it ready for visitors.

Morin Photo

she said, but we are still here and hanging on.”

The couple also call Terrace Green their home, so that makes holding on during the pandemic a little easier.

According to the tourist industry, Terrace Green is about to become very busy.

“On a positive note,” said Annette, “Expedia is saying in the next six months

57 per cent of travellers are expected to book their trips. And we have our usual 9.4 out of 10 customer satisfaction customer rating with booking.com, so that it is at its maximum; that helps,” she said.

“We have a good association with the Winchester District Memorial Hospital and medical students staying here, and people coming here for operations. If they are stuck, I will drive them in the morning and

pick them up when they need to come back.”

She feels they will come back even stronger once the pandemic passes.

The couple have a dog named ‘Fred’ who is a happy Labradoodle; he loves people and attention.

“They say you should always have something interesting for people to see when they first come through the door and we have Fred. He has been with us four years. He is very friendly, hypoallergenic, and he is in your face, people just have to pet him,” she said.

She added they are waiting to see what happens as the three stages of the reopening strategy takes place. In the meantime, they are still wearing masks and have invested in several Covid-cleaning measures. They purchased a special sanitizing light that if left for an hour in a room it kills any Covid that might be there. All of their bedding, pillowcases, blankets and towels are thoroughly washed between uses.

Despite the easing of pandemic restrictions, Jim and Annette are determined to maintain their rigorous cleaning and preventive measure regime until they are confident their clients are feeling comfortable.

As you start to consider enjoying a bit of travel and elegance, give Terrace Green Bed and Breakfast a call. Jim and Annette can be reached at 613-774-2189 or email them at: info@theterracegreen.ca.

If you would like to have a light shined on your business, please contact us at: editor@etceterapublications.ca or call us at 613-448-2321.

Water and sewer capacity study set for North Stormont villages

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

BERWICK – The township of North Stormont is moving forward with an updated water and sewer uncommitted reserve capacity study for the Villages of Moose Creek, Chrysler, and Finch.

The decision was made during the June 1 council meeting when politicians voted to approve a staff recommendation to award the contract to R.V. Anderson Associates at a cost of \$5,200 plus tax. It was noted that this is the company

that conducted the 2014 study.

“The objective of the assignment is to update calculations on the remaining reserve capacity for water and sewer in the three referenced villages, given existing and planned development as per the MECP (Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks) guidelines for uncommitted reserve capacity. The information is typically used to allocate and track capacity available for new development and infill for planning purposes,” R.V. Anderson Associates principal regional manager and professional

engineer Trevor Kealey said in a letter to the township.

Chief administrative officer (CAO) Craig Calder said the study is needed to ensure staff has the most up-to-date information. Knowing the water and sewer capacity will allow staff to give potential developers an accurate idea of the number of units available in specific areas. He said R.V. Anderson Associates already has the background information from the last study and they meet all the requirements necessary.

Council unanimously approved the recommendation.

And the pipes play on

Carolyn Thompson Goddard
Record Staff

CHESTERVILLE – With many 2021 Ontario Highland Games cancelled this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, The Pipers’ and Pipe Band Society of Ontario (PPBSO) is holding in a virtual format “a series of six events starting with the Ontario Online Championships on June 12,” according to PPBSO president Michael Grey.

In a recent email to *The Chesterville Record*, Grey explained how the online solo competitions of six contests over the summer will help to “ensure pipers and drummers across Ontario are engaged and interested in keeping our traditions alive. He continued how pipers and drummers will “submit their video records for each event via the YouTube platform,” which will be provided to a judge by the organization and the winner will be announced “live on our Facebook page at the end of each virtual ‘games day’ with a sampling



When the Glengarry Highland Games return to Maxville in 2022, sights like this from the 2019 GHG will once again delight audiences which gather there. Thompson Goddard File Photo

of some of the prize-winning performances.”

Due to the virtual aspect of the competition, judges from the United Kingdom and the United States of America will be participating in addition “to our own Ontario-based folks.” On behalf of the PPBSO, Grey extended his thanks to committees from “Embros’ Zorra Highland Gathering, Kincardine Scottish Festival, Glengarry Highland Games and Fergus Scottish Festival” who have provided assistance to this undertaking.

For information on and registration for the virtual competitions please visit www.ppbsso.org/2021-online-contest-series. While the deadline for The Ontario Championship registration


and video submission of May 29 has already passed, information about and deadlines for the Embro Highland Games Online,

Kincardine Online, PPBSO Championship, Glengarry Highland Games Online and Fergus Online – Canadian Championships are available

at <http://ppbsso.org/2021-online-contest-series>.

Information available on the website of the Glengarry Highland Games (GHG)

confirms the 2021 games are cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with the 2022 event planned for July 29-30 of that year.



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The Corporation of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital will be holding its Annual General Meeting for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report of the Board of Directors and officials of the Hospital, the election of Directors, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. The Winchester District Memorial Hospital By-Laws provide that the Board of Directors shall include the election of Directors by members of the Hospital Corporation.

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The long wait is over! The Ace of Spades is back!



RUSSELL – It’s been a long wait but it’s all worth it. The Kin Club of Russell’s Catch the Ace fundraiser is back. And those who bought tickets way back in April got to play again this past Sunday.

“Due to the provincial lockdown, the draws were suspended to keep everyone safe and at home,” explains Cindy Ault Peters, the Foundation’s manager of direct mail and events. “Even without draws, the excitement has been building. The WDMH Foundation is so grateful to the Kin

Club of Russell and to everyone who has tried to Catch the Ace in support of the WDMH Foundation’s General Equipment Fund, as well as other charities in our region.”

There are now only eight envelopes left with the jackpot over \$365,000. The next weekly win will be more than \$20,000. The draws are scheduled on Sundays at 3:15 p.m. in Russell. People who had bought tickets between April 4 and 11 were in the June 6 draw.

For full details, ongoing updates, and rules of play, visit www.kinclubofrussell.ca. And don’t forget to watch the weekly draw live 3:15 p.m. on Sundays at <https://www.facebook.com/Kin-Club-of-Russell-388050434576352>.

Council approves Parklets’ placements

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – Residents and tourists visiting the township of Russell this summer will have additional seating options in the form of Community Parklets, one at 1125 Concession Street in Russell and one at the corner of Blais Street and Notre Dame Street in Embrun.

Township politicians approved the locations during the June 7 council meeting, while the decision to

purchase the two parklets was made during the previous council meeting in May. The decision was made in a 3-2 vote with councillors Mike Tarnowski and André Brisson voting against the purchase from Xpertek. The cost of the two structures is roughly \$30,528 and they are expected to last roughly 10 years if they are stored during the winter months.

“How do we measure the success of this project,” Coun. Mike Tarnowski asked, noting that the

Parklets’ Program is a pilot project.

Economic development director Dominique Tremblay said staff will collect feedback from the community. She said success ultimately comes down to whether the parklets benefit local businesses by drawing in more people. She added that the pilot project is a proactive measure to bring more visitors to the township’s villages where they can buy local food and shop at local stores.

“The purpose of the pilot project is to advertise the project and the possibilities that exist to businesses on the main street, so that they can take advantage of this program in the summer of 2022,” economic development officer Vanessa Carrière said in her report.

Tremblay said her team met with the owner of the Russell location and he has approved the township’s use of the property for the next year at no charge. The Embrun location is also free as it is municipally owned. Xpertek is expected to have the parklets constructed by early August and, depending on the weather, they will be in place until Nov. 1.

If the pilot project is successful, staff will recommend council officially adopt the program by passing a bylaw. Interested businesses will then be able to submit a request to buy and install a parklet of their own. The township will order the parklets and ensure the structures are placed in acceptable locations.

Canada Day goes virtual for 2021

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – The township of Russell is one of several municipalities joining the United Counties of Prescott and Russell (UCPR) in hosting a virtual Canada Day Celebration.

During the June 7 council meeting, politicians approved the use of \$3,000 from the 2021 Community Grants and Contributions budget for this year’s Canada Day festivities. The allotted funds will cover the cost of entertainment, which does not include the usual fireworks.

“Unfortunately, the pandemic has made changes and we’ve had to adapt,” Mayor Pierre Leroux said. Leroux, as with the other participating mayors, will be given 30 seconds to speak during the event.

UCPR decided to host the joint virtual celebration and gathered representatives from the municipalities at the end of April to determine who might be interested in partnering for the event. The Prescott-Russell Arts Council is set to coordinate the project and all participants are meeting weekly to ensure everything is ready for July 1. While this year’s celebration will look different from preceding years, the idea is to gather and showcase local artists in a bilingual event.

Each municipality will have 15 minutes to showcase their chosen artists. For Russell, Parks and Recreation director Céline Guitard said staff have chosen to hire Russell singer Tara Shannon, the JB Danceworkz dance company from Embrun, as well as Embrun’s Lexine Ménard who will edit the dance company video. Shannon is set to sing two songs.

Guitard said the UCPR Canada Day celebration will kick off at 6:30 p.m. on Canada Day and everything will be streamlined live.



Canteen leases renewed for township’s arenas

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – The township of Russell has renewed leases with two local business owners for the Russell and Embrun Arenas.

During the June 7 council meeting, politicians approved director of Parks and Recreation Céline Guitard’s recommendation to continue leasing the Embrun Arena to Paul Carpentier, owner of Hot Potato, and the Russell Arena to Ron Landry, owner of Fry Me to the Moon for a two-year period. The leases will run from May 1 of this year until April 30, 2023. The lessees will each pay \$150 per month in rental fees, which will provide the municipality with \$7,200 in income.

“This used to be a line item in our budget that used to cost us \$15,000 per year,” Mayor Pierre Leroux said. “It may not be a huge amount we’re renting for, but it is a huge cost savings.”

Guitard said the administration is “very satisfied” with the operations of both canteens. Carpentier and Landry have been operating the arena canteens since October 7, 2019.

“This is a very good news story,” Coun. Jamie Laurin said. “I think they’ve done an amazing job. This was something I was very reluctant to let go of in the arenas, but I haven’t heard any complaints about it and to have it now be a positive line item in our budget instead of a negative, I don’t think there’s much more we could ask for.”

EOHU denied access to arena after August 23

Sandy Casselman
Local Journalism Initiative Reporter

EMBRUN – Township of Russell politicians have restricted the Eastern Ontario Health Unit (EOHU)’s use of the Embrun Arena slab to no later than August 23.

The decision was made during the June 7 council meeting when chief administrative officer Jean Leduc said he had reservations with the health unit’s request to use the building for a potential 16-week period to administer the second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine to the public. With the first phase of the vaccine administration being extended, Leduc said he has concerns that the second phase could last into the fall.

“I would have to postpone the opening of the Embrun Arena to Nov. 1,” he said, noting that it takes two to three weeks to prepare the ice and there are two vaccination dates set

for October.

Leduc suggested they permit the EOHU to use the arena until August 23 and if more time is needed, he said the health unit’s vaccination clinic could be relocated to the community centre. He also noted that the arena is not air conditioned, which would lead to added expense if it needs to be cooled down. Leduc said any additional expenses to the township for the vaccination clinic could be submitted to the health unit for compensation, but it would be up to the Ministry of Health to decide whether to follow through with any reimbursements.

In addition, Leduc said if the arena opening were to be postponed, it would mean a loss of roughly \$88,000 in revenue for the township. Coun. Jamie Laurin said it would not just be the township coffers that lose in this situation, but also those residents and groups who would then need to find alternate ice

space at a potential larger cost.

Councillor Cindy Saucier said she felt the vaccination clinic could be done from start to finish at the community centre, which is air conditioned and available for use. Leduc agreed, but noted that the health unit was looking for a larger space. Saucier said the pandemic did not stop blood donor clinics from

being held successfully in the community centre.

In the end, council agreed with Leduc’s recommendation. The EOHU will be given the option of using the Embrun Arena slab until August 23. They would then need to relocate to the community centre. The other option would be to use the community centre for the full 16 weeks.

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