

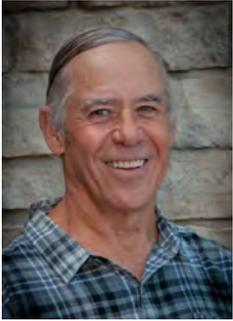


The Blue Mountains Municipal Election, Oct 24 *photos by Robert Burcher*

The first "Meet the Candidates" session was held on Monday August 29, from 5-7pm at the L.E. Shore Library in Thornbury. These sessions will provide voters with the opportunity to be introduced to the candidates, and better understand their priorities and platforms.

Two candidates will be featured at each session for the next 5 weeks (except for Oct 10)

Candidates for Mayor (1 to be elected)



Joe Halos



Elizabeth Marshall



Andrea Matrosovs



Tony Poole

Candidates for Councillor (5 to be elected)



Gail Ardiel



Paula Hope



Alex Maxwell



Shawn McKinlay



June Porter



Jim Ross



Jennifer Seymour



**Peter Bordignon
acclaimed for
Deputy Mayor**

Frances Morgan, (ACCLAIMED) Bluewater District School Board Trustee – English Public



Town Launches Facebook Page to Share News and Information

The Town of The Blue Mountains is excited to announce the launch of the organization's first corporate Facebook page. To view and follow the page, please visit: www.facebook.com/townofbluemtns

The launch of the Town's Facebook page was included as an action item within the 2021 – 2025 Communications Strategy to strengthen communications with residents. The Facebook page will be used to share important information including news, meeting notices, project updates, employment opportunities, events, and much more.

"We are thrilled to launch the Town Facebook page to connect with the community through different platforms," says Chief Administrative Officer, Shawn Everitt. "The Facebook page will be helpful to both residents and visitors who want to keep a pulse in what's happening at Town Hall and in The Blue Mountains area."

Through direction from Council, public commenting on the Town's Facebook page will be disabled. Instead, members of the public are encouraged to contact the Town directly using the website (www.thebluemountains.ca), phone line (519-599-3131) or by visiting Town Hall during business hours.

In addition, the Town would like to remind residents that service requests can be submitted online 24/7 using the online system. To submit a service request, please visit: www.thebluemountains.ca/online-services

For more information, please contact:

Tim Hendry
Manager of Communications & Economic Development
519-599-3131 ext. 282

The Blue Mountains Safe Haven Project

St. George's, The Anglican Parish of the Blue Mountains, with the support of friends and neighbours in the Town of The Blue Mountains, has begun an Afghan Refugee Sponsorship Project to reunite a family of four, here in our community.

We estimate the cost of this sponsorship process to be \$55,000.

We are appealing to the wider community to support us in these efforts. Help us to provide a safe haven to others:

Sponsorship Categories:

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All donations will receive a tax receipt. Please make cheques payable to: St. George's, Clarksburg. In the attention line, please write: Safe Haven Project.

For any questions, or further information, contact us at: parishofthebluemountains@gmail.com or 519-599-3047

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Georgian Trail Angels

While on a cycling excursion (Thursday, August 25) on The Georgian Trail with her 3 friends, Rita's back wheel spun sideways on a slippery, wet bridge and threw her to the ground, breaking her leg. Seconds later Jeff from Thornbury appeared and he called 911. He took charge in a professional manner, talked to her continuously, and kept her calm while she writhed and screamed in pain. Soon a couple walking towards Meaford asked if we needed help. This wonderful woman knelt on the hard ground for at least 30 minutes and held Rita's foot to keep it immobile - the least movement caused excruciating pain. Later, Darren, captain of the local volunteer fire fighters arrived with his team and he, Jeff and this wonderful woman supported Rita and us continuously. The ambulance with the paramedics were last to arrive, and they had to immobilize Rita's leg and carry her out on a special stretcher and motorized vehicle—no small task.

After assessment at the Meaford Hospital, Rita was transported to the Owen Sound Hospital for surgery the same night. We had cycled 17 km from Camperdown Rd (near Craigleith) where our cars were parked and the plan was to cycle to Meaford, treat ourselves to ice cream cones, and cycle back. Instead, after Rita was taken by ambulance to the Meaford Hospital, Darren kindly transported the 3 of us and our 4 bikes back to our cars (and thanks to Jeff who also offered).

To all of the angels, please accept our most sincere thanks and appreciation for your kindness, selflessness and expertise. We are most grateful!!!

Rita, Isabel, Pat, Wendy

20th Annual Lions Club Duck Draw

After 19 years of ducks leaving the Black Bridge in Clarksburg and racing down the Beaver River to the finish line, this year with the support of the local Fire Department the ducks went swimming in a pool with 5 ducks being drawn by Lions Club member Tom Kennedy. 1st Prize A. McKenna, \$1000; 2nd R. Horodyski Thornbury \$500; 3rd L. Simonek \$250; 4th R. Patterson \$100; 5th S. Downie (gift Cert.) \$50; Special Draw B. Keaveney - Painting by Judy Shield - photos by Christopher Burton





GBHU urging caution as more transmissible variant circulates in area

The Grey Bruce Health Unit is monitoring reports that indicate more infectious strains of COVID-19 are circulating in the area and fuelling outbreaks in some long-term care homes.

This trend is likely due to the highly transmissible Omicron sub-variant BA.5, now the dominant strain of the virus in Ontario.

Public Health is reminding residents that getting up-to-date on their vaccinations as soon as possible remains the best defence against severe illness and death from the virus and is also the most effective way to curb the virus's spread and prevent outbreaks in congregate care settings.

"Evidence shows that BA.5 is more infectious and is spreading faster than previous strains of Omicron. Vaccine offers strong personal protection from hospitalization, complications, ICU admission and death," says GBHU Physician Consultant Dr. Rim Zayed.

"The only way to impede this spread is to increase vaccine coverage in the community – it's the best, safest and most effective way to get a handle on COVID-19."

There are currently 10 active COVID-19 outbreaks in long-term care and retirement homes and in-patient units in Grey-Bruce. Some of the homes are experiencing high transmission rates.

Public Health is urging people to exercise extra caution when visiting residents in long-term care and retirement homes. Along with ensuring vaccinations are up-to-date, visitors can increase protection by wearing a well-fitted mask while indoors, practicing proper hand hygiene, and using outdoor spaces or distancing when possible. Everyone should stay home when experiencing COVID-19 symptoms.

BA.5 is believed to be the most dominant strain of COVID-19 circulating in Grey-Bruce. Most of the virus specimens sent for genomic sequencing from GBHU in early August were BA.5.

The World Health Organization says BA.5 is the most transmissible strain of COVID-19 so far in this pandemic.

However, it does not appear to be more severe than previous strains of Omicron, with Public Health Ontario saying the risk of severe acute disease is low with a high degree of uncertainty. Vaccine effectiveness against BA.5 has been waning in individuals vaccinated more than four months ago, particularly in people who have received only two doses of vaccine. The risk of reinfection is also considered high.

As a result, the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) is recommending that individuals aged 12 and up who are eligible for a booster dose and had a recent COVID-19 infection get their next vaccine dose three months after the onset of their symptoms or a positive test, if asymptomatic.

Public Health is holding COVID-19 vaccine clinics throughout Grey-Bruce and partnering with GO-VAXX to provide supplementary clinics in areas with lower vaccine uptake. A full schedule of clinics is available on the website. www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

Although a new bivalent COVID-19 vaccine is expected to be available this fall, Public Health is encouraging residents to get up-to-date on their vaccines as soon as possible and not wait until the new vaccine is rolled out. This is especially important for individuals aged 60 and over and those with underlying medical conditions.

Public Health has created a Frequently Asked Questions webpage with additional information regarding COVID-19 vaccines, clinics and eligibility.

For Information: Denis Langlois, Communications Co-ordinator, Grey Bruce Health Unit,

519-376-9420 or 1-800-263-3456 ext. 1315,

Communications@publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

**GO-VAXX BUS CLINIC at L.E. Shore Memorial Library,
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GRAHAM MARTIN ROBERTS

Graham's life ended suddenly and unexpectedly on Tuesday, August 2, 2022. He died doing what he loved, tending the grape vines on his daughter's property.

Born in Cheltenham, Glos. England in 1935, Graham emigrated to Canada in 1956. He arrived in Windsor with one suitcase, a possible employer's name, \$90.00 and a quest for a better life. He defined his emigration as a 'turning the corner event' and loved to quote Robert Frost "I took the road less travelled and that made all the difference".



His fiancée, Marlene, followed 4 months later. They married and began their lives in Canada. Marlene's parents and four siblings followed shortly after, destination Toronto. Thanks to Graham, all have flourished in Canada and thanked him for his adventurous spirit.

His Canadian career began in mechanical engineering in Windsor, Ontario, moved to Indiana, USA for five years, and eventually Burlington, Ontario. A professor at Mohawk college, he loved to teach and expand other people's knowledge. His volunteerism as a scout leader brought back fond memories as a young man in Cheltenham and enhanced his strong values of loyalty, commitment and the wolf cub's promise to "be prepared".

An insatiable curiosity to learn and a desire to farm began a new life experience as a beekeeper. He became enthralled in the beauty and the science of the life of the bee and when an opportunity arose to purchase a commercial operation in the Beaver Valley in 1977 he moved to Thornbury. They tackled another adventure together.

During his beekeeping career he was President of the Ontario Beekeepers Association. He exhibited in the Royal Winter Fair for several years and won many ribbons. He was an advocate for apple pollination, leaf cutter bees and spent many years working with the University of Guelph in new research. His belief of small town and community made him an annual participant in the Beaver Valley Fall Fair with an observation beehive.

Running a commercial apiary kept him busy, however Graham also made the time to be involved with the Chamber of Commerce, the local Toastmasters club serving as Governor for a number of years, and the Rotary.

He and Marlene enjoyed a number of unique travels around the world, with one of the highlights being an adventure canoe trip down the Yukon River with friends. He went with a group to Haiti to build homes and distribute solar ovens. He traveled to Cuba and Costa Rica on a beekeeping working holiday.

Although Graham was always working at something, he always made time to sit down and have a chat. He became hard of hearing which took him away from meetings and public affairs. After beekeeping, he put all his energy into his garden and vineyard, brewing up new ideas and configurations for plantings. Always with a project on the go, Graham did things with enthusiasm and ethics. He liked to question and research projects he set out to do. He was astute with the computer for research and enjoyed corresponding with his grandchildren.

Graham was proud of his family. He will be so missed by his wife Marlene, their daughters Lori (Shields; Dave), Keri (Lockhart; Al) and Jan (Perry; Rob); their seven grandchildren Heather (Porter; Matt), Scott, Drew, Tyson, Jared, Megan and Emma; and great-granddaughter Opal.

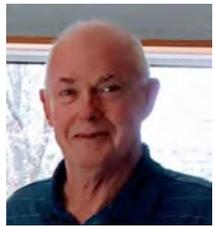
A Come and Go Celebration of Graham's Life was held at their home in his beloved garden at 200 Russell St. E., Clarksburg, on Wednesday, August 24th.

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

JIM KEARNS

Those we love can never be more than a thought away...for as long as there's a memory, they live in our hearts to stay.

In loving memory of James "Jim" Kearns who died September 1, 2021. Dearly loved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend.



The Board of Directors of the Blue Mountains Short Term Accommodation Owners Association (BMSTA) are proud to launch our new website <http://bmsta.ca/>.

Several years ago, we formed an association of investment property owners and professional rental managers involved in the Short-term Accommodation (STA) and Commercial Resort Unit (CRU) market here at Blue Mountain. Our common bond remains our dedication to work together, along with other valued partners and stakeholders, to achieve our stated mission.

Our mission is, through advocacy and education The BMSTA is committed to unite its' members to provide the highest standards of short-term rental management in The Municipality of The Blue Mountains, for the benefit of our valued guests, the local residents as well as the community as a whole.

The BMSTA is made up of hundreds of business people working to consistently achieve the clearly stated BMSTA mission.

The BMSTA STA and CRU member properties in the Blue Mountains provide a significant and positive economic benefit for our region that is north of 150M dollars. We are collectively one of the largest employers in the area. STA's and CRU's offer an alternative housing opportunity for groups, encouraging longer stays which even further enhances the positive economic impact of tourism for all local merchants from our member's guests.

We shall continue to advocate across our membership for professional and responsible operations. As short-term accommodations are strictly legislated in the Blue Mountains the BMSTA, through its Board of Directors, shall as they always have, continue to work with the Municipality to ensure we obtain fair and equitable legislation.

Our industry has been engaged with TBM's Staff and several TBM Councils since the first STA Bylaw was enacted in July 2014. The BMSTA fully supports the STA Licensing program in our community as its existence has significantly benefited our businesses and, without any doubt, has benefited the vacationing public and all community stakeholders.

For more information or to join the BMSTA simply apply at www.bmsta.ca

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The Master Gardener's Corner

Things to do in your garden each month taken from the Ontario Master Gardener Calendar by John Hethrington, Past President, Master Gardeners of Ontario. For more information, or your copy of the 11" x 17" calendar of the full year's tips for a \$2 contribution to Master Gardeners, call 519-599-5846.



September 2022:

- Trim back perennials like Daylilies and Iris. My mother always cut the iris fans up one side and down the other into a nice V. But she was picky. Divide them as needed. Make sure it is a cool, cloudy day to divide and replant, or to pot up plants for your neighbours or fall plant exchanges.
- Try out the Grey County Master Gardener's annual fall plant sale of interesting perennials on Saturday Sept 10, from 9 am to noon, on the grass at the Heritage Mall in Owen Sound. Lots of nifty stuff!
- Fall is the ideal time to divide and plant Iris, Daylilies, Peonies and many other perennials. Share extra plants with neighbours. To see my YouTube video I prepared for our St. George's plant sale on dividing and potting up plants click on - <https://youtu.be/KmTTYGNoRB4>
- Buy and plant spring-flowering bulbs. Your efforts will be handsomely rewarded next spring. Check out Botanus online @ www.botanus.com. After our dry summer, add some water to the bottom of the hole, then some soil, then a little bonemeal fertilizer or special bulb food. Water well after planting to start root growth2
- Take a critical look at your garden. Then fill in any gaps that may have developed with new perennials, shrubs and/or evergreens. They will get a huge head start over plants planted next spring.
- Bring in house plants when the evenings start to cool down. First, give them a thorough spray with insecticidal soap so that there are no unwanted hitchhikers coming into your home.
- With cool nights and hoped for fall rains, it's the ideal time for lawn repair. Dig out weeds, add clean, weed-free topsoil and re-seed. Keep the planted area moist.
- Fertilize lawns with root-building "Fall Fertilizer" with a low first number (Nitrogen) and high second and third numbers (Phosphorus & Potash).
- Don't use the lawn fertilizer you have left over from the spring, probably with a high first number (Nitrogen). Save it for early next spring.
- It's been first, a dry summer, with more recently, lots of rain, but deep down it is probably still dry. Dig a little test hole, say 14"-16" deep. Check the moisture levels at that depth. If the bottom of the hole is dry, water your gardens weekly and deeply until frost. Buy and put a soaker end on your hose and put it in the middle of your relatively flat garden beds and let the water seep in.

Why Did You Ever Buy A Farm? (Horse Farm)

by Alice Otrysko

This is a question I am asked often.

When I lived in Toronto, I bought a horse named Patty. She was a purebred Morgan and I took lessons on her and every weekend would spend one or both days riding her and taking lessons at Clairville ranch north of the city.

I soon bought my husband another Morgan named Jubels who was a retired show horse.

Both of us went through the steps towards coaching and loved it so much that more and more time was spent driving there to be with our horses.

I decided to retire from principalship and buy a farm so we could live with them and see them every day.

Friends of ours who lived in Collingwood found one through their agent and we went to look at it in the middle of winter with the snow up to our knees. It had everything I wanted: an old house I could remodel, 2 barns, one with an arena and 2 apartments above it and an old woodshed, the original homestead cabin and 130 acres of pastures, hay fields and woods backing onto the Bruce Trail. How could I resist?

It was near Walter's Falls.

So we moved; first me alone then a year later my husband retired as well and joined me.

There was good and bad as is in life. The work was both very hard but also satisfying. The house was remodeled, the apartments above the barn were used first as rentals then as Airbnb. Gardens were done, wood cut up for the winter as we had a wood furnace. Boarders helped pay some of the expenses and there were joys and troubles.

The greatest joy was riding the trails we cut through the fields and the woods. Troubles were plenty of all kinds.

By now I bought Kazan, a part Arab so my son could ride with us. I rescued Zosia, a thoroughbred mare who was exhausted from racing and breeding. I had my 2 Abyssinian cats with me and Chessie, my dear Chesapeake Bay Retriever who came as a puppy with the farm. She died in my arms in 2013. Zosia died from a burst bladder and on my birthday January 18, the year we were moving to Thornbury, Jubels died with me buried in his mane on the ground inside his leanto. Kazan developed a very painful arthritic knee and was helped to horse heaven the month we moved here. We came to Thornbury with Zack and Iskra since the second Abyssinian cat disappeared suspiciously.

I never regretted the farm but it was too much work and too stressful as we grew older and developed health issues. I miss it and the animals and shed tears often at the good memories. I miss the land, I miss my woods, I miss the peace and quiet, the singing of multiple species of birds, my gardens and above all my horses and Chessie.

The highlight of living there was a horse wedding we had between 2 of the boarder horses: Zena and Jasper. That was quite a party.

I look through those pictures and remember that day fondly. I try not to think of the hard work and the troubles we faced which made me stronger. It was time to move which I don't regret ever but I will always have the memories and the pictures.



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BURN OUT! (or how a candle became a five-alarm fire)

In every human being burns a candle; in one it might be for compassion, in another for leadership, yet another for equality. In the physical world, notably buildings and confined spaces, we employ smoke-alarms, which of course are designed to foreshadow and warn us of the danger of an uncontrolled fire. Metaphorically, there is a smoke-alarm installed into each of us. The very instance of life provides the power for such an appliance – we are hard-wired.

Smoke-alarms in our day-to-day world require power, correct placement, and the ability to be heard when the alarm sounds out. Fire stations repeat and display the mantra to check these requirements, and specifically every six months. Humanly we need to do the same! In Life the candle is alight, the smoke-alarm is set; our personal testing will determine whether the alarm is properly placed, and audible when triggered.

A candle's flame within us is a beautiful servant, and a terrible despot on the loose. The smoke-alarm is a signalling device, which itself cannot extinguish the unruly flame. It is the individual who will act decisively and personally to extinguish the fire. When the individual ignores the smoke-alarm (which may also have been mounted in the wrong place), often the outcome is self-destruction. It is called burn out.

From this perspective we conclude that whatever the external dynamics may be, burn out is internal, and a proxy on our response to these externalities. We fluently recite problems of the day – Covid, inflation, government, inequality, loneliness, anger, discrimination, education, social media, climate, China and Putin. Compared with past difficulties, they are by a straw poll as numerous; but they are different. This is the arena within which we operate.

From our earliest days, we recognise the value of self-worth, but it is our internal smoke-alarm that detects the fires that seek to destroy it. Unattended we fall prey. The first "job" is to make sure our alarm system is functioning properly. How? As in fire-alarm protocols, check out its location every six months. It needs to be able to detect the toxic smoke of greed, anger, entitlement, pride and ignorance, so that the candles of decency, respect, dignity, hope, faith and love can light our path. When the alarm is triggered (and it will be!) let us be sure the warnings are recognisable.

Before we explore the tools that help us to identify the warnings, even the exercise of twice yearly checking our internal smoke alarm is of itself refreshing and within our own competence. While the world is pressing us into a sort of bland conformity, we rise to our own sense of identity and self-worth. In its proper attire, the ego is to be cherished.

A smoke alarm alerts us by sensing smoke, and directs us to the cause of the fire. Metaphorically, our own system detects burning; smoke is the symptom, fire is the problem. Such symptoms of a burning fire include procrastination, exhaustion, eating and drinking too much, sleeping excessively, irritability, casting blame, jealousy, discrimination, unbridled criticism, social exclusion, laziness, impatience, debt, obsessiveness, undue perspiration and palpitations. When the underlying fire is identified, circled, and extinguished, symptoms can be neutralised - the individual is in a smoke-free zone, with the clarity to pursue the fullness of their potential. Burn-out be damned!

When self-worth is seen to be an attainable prize, there are steps to reach the goal. Foremost is awareness of self and our magnificent construction, so that we become tuned to reaching our potential, by removing the self-destructive inefficiencies. And remember, remember, it is one's own potential that defines the score card, and not someone else's!

Step 1. Writing a daily journal (by hand please!) is a powerful technique, generally thirty minutes a day, four days of the week. No one is allowed to read it so that it is written exclusively of the individual,



by the individual, for the individual. It releases an extraordinary scope of ideas and insights from one's personal (hidden) reserves. Because it is being written, it uses the creative part of the brain, and helps to distill out negative recriminations. The journal describes what activities were performed that day, how the individual felt about those activities, and what triggered the activity. Curiously, those things we don't want to do often provide satisfaction; the things we do want to do often yield dissatisfaction!

Step 2. Relax! Relaxation is an activity, so that the proverbial sitting in front of the screen for the evening is exhausting and ineffective. Relaxation in the form of a yoga type process or meditation is stimulating and energising. The exercise of sitting and relaxing all parts of the body from the little toe to the temple is so refreshing. Given that most people want to eradicate wrinkles, when was the last time the face was allowed to relax?!

Step 3. Create and give yourself rewards, spontaneously, liberally, for activities completed. The reward might be a token, a cup of coffee, a phone call to a friend, a walk, reading the paper, checking social media, opening a bag of cookies. These are small rewards, which when given in proximity to the activity encourage the activity to be repeated! Receiving all those rewards is a marvellous counterpoint to negative outcomes.

Step 4. When a negative thought dominates - "I don't want to call the credit department", for example - write that thought precisely at the head of a piece of paper. Self-disclosure to self is cathartic anyway. Then compose twenty-five reasons that explain how that thought is irrational and illogical. The process draws the individual from chatter to conversation to discussion. Usually in this instance the individual is justly prepared and relieved to make the call.

Step 5. Consider and write down twenty-five reasons of why you like you. Extraordinarily, this exercise is humbling and does much to reinstate one's sense of self and self-worth. One warning: this is helpful on a six-monthly basis, as repetition runs the risk of pressing the benefits into the woodwork.

Step 6. Exercise! Aerobic activity for forty minutes a day allows the body's flows of oxygen and blood to allay frustration and anxiety, as well as building the body's intended structure to support the mental capacity. It is not unusual for such activity to spawn fresh ideas and convictions.

Step 7. The human is this unparalleled conjunction of body, mind and spirit. Quelling the smoke in two areas is counter-intuitive if the fire is still at large in the third segment. The explorations so far have highlighted the incidence of body and mind. Now remains the personal invitation: feed the spirit with faith, hope and love.

Let us conclude that as the smoke dissipates, the smoke-alarm shuts down, the flame rests under control, we arrive at a new station where our lives become the parable of Life.

Excerpt from and.....The Conjunctions of Life

Jeremy Wentworth-Stanley, jeremy@officeinthebarn.com

Advertisement for Connor Whalen, Sales Representative at Royal LePage. The ad features a photo of Connor Whalen, a man with glasses and a beard, wearing a blue shirt. To his right is the Royal LePage logo and the text "ROYAL LEPAGE DIRECTOR'S PLATINUM AWARD 2021". Below the photo, it says "Connor Whalen Sales Representative". At the bottom, contact information is provided: "(Direct) 705-441-1075 (Office) 705-445-5520 connorwhalen@royallepage.ca www.connorwhalen.royallepage.ca". The Royal LePage logo and "LOCATIONS NORTH BROKERAGE" are also visible.

Advertisement for Beaver Valley Outreach (BVO) Recreational Funding program. The ad features the BVO logo at the top, which includes a stylized "BVO" and a group of people holding hands. Below the logo, the text reads "ALL KIDS DESERVE TO HAVE FUN!". Underneath, it says "Need financial assistance to enroll in hockey, skating, swimming, soccer, music, or dance? Our RECREATIONAL FUNDING program can help you." Below this text are several icons representing different activities: a person on a sled, a person on a bicycle, a person on a skateboard, a person on a soccer ball, a person on a tennis racket, a person on a camera, a person on a film camera, a person on a mask, and a person on a musical instrument. At the bottom, contact information is provided: "519.599.2577 x 121 | bvo.ca". The tagline "Making good things happen in our community!" is written at the very bottom.

Children Aged Five and Over Eligible for First Booster Shot

The Ontario government is expanding eligibility for COVID-19 first booster doses to children aged five to 11 to provide an extra layer of protection to those who need it ahead of the new school year.

As of 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 1, parents and caregivers of children aged five to 11 will be able to book an appointment for a paediatric COVID-19 booster dose through the COVID-19 vaccination portal or by calling the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900. Eligible individuals can also book an appointment directly through public health units that use their own booking systems, Indigenous-led vaccination clinics, participating health care providers and participating pharmacies.

Eligible children can receive their first booster dose at a recommended interval of at least six months following their most recent dose. Parents with questions are encouraged to reach out to their health care provider, the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre or the SickKids COVID-19 Vaccine Consult Service to make an informed choice for their family.

In anticipation of the approval of a bivalent COVID-19 vaccine, which may offer more targeted protection against the Omicron variants, the province is working with public health units and sector partners to make sure doses are ready to be administered once supply is received from the federal government. Details on timing and eligibility for the bivalent COVID-19 vaccine will be communicated once Health Canada provides additional information and guidance.

In addition to the many tools already in place to keep Ontarians safe, on the recommendation of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, Ontario is updating public health guidance to manage COVID-19 during the respiratory illness season this fall. Some key highlights include:

- If you are in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, continue to self-monitor for symptoms. There is no longer a need to isolate but you should wear a mask for 10 days when in public.
- If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 such as fever, cough, or runny nose, stay home from school, work and social events until your fever is gone and symptoms are improving, get a rapid antigen test or, if eligible, a PCR test. Wear a mask for 10 days after and avoid non-essential visits to high-risk individuals and settings.

"While we are updating our public health guidance, preventing COVID-19 and other infections is vital to keeping our families, schools and communities safe and healthy," said Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health. "I strongly encourage all Ontarians to take advantage of vaccine and booster doses that are recommended and available to them, which now includes the availability of a booster dose for children aged five to 11."

With Omicron-specific vaccines on the horizon, expanded booster eligibility, continued access to testing and antivirals, and updated public health guidance, Ontarians have the tools they need to make the best decisions for themselves on how to stay safe, healthy and out of hospitals as the province continues its efforts to support the recovery and rebuilding of the health system.

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Call for Nomination for 2nd Annual Kindness Awards sponsored by T-C Rotary

Last year, at the Bridge of Kindness inauguration ceremony, the Thornbury-Clarksburg (T-C) Rotary club awarded three Kindness awards to very deserving community residents. The T-C Rotary club has decided to make these awards an annual tradition and to invite community members to nominate residents they feel are very deserving of an award.

We have many residents who kindly and quietly devote hours of their time to improve the lives of other residents, to protect animals and nature of all kinds in our community, and to improve the lives of those in need beyond our community.

It is important to celebrate people and their stories of kindness in our community as a reminder to us all of the value of kindness. Not only is there the obvious value to the receiver, but there is also the scientifically proven value of improved mental and physical health to the giver. In addition, sharing these stories reminds us of the importance of kindness in building a resilient and thriving community.

Nomination forms are available at www.tcrotaary.ca and include details regarding eligibility rules and how to submit nominations. Hard copy nomination forms are also available at Riverside Press, 22 Louisa St East, Thornbury during regular business hours.

The deadline for this year's nominations is **Sunday, October 16, 2022** at 11:59pm. Each of the three winners chosen will be informed by October 31st and each will receive two complimentary tickets to the T-C Rotary KINDNESS Gala (on Nov 12, 2022 at the Georgian Peaks Club) where they will be honoured with their "Wheel of Kindness".

Let's celebrate how Our Community Runs on Kindness!



The Southwest Corner of Clark and Marsh Street in Clarksburg needs a name.

We want you to choose it!

Together The Blue Mountains Historical Society and the businesses located at 174 Marsh Street are looking for a name that reflects the unique and complex history of the site.

The winner will be announced on Sat. Oct 8th at 3pm at The Shed Saturday Vendor Market.

PLEASE SEND SUBMISSIONS TO
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Deadline is Thursday, Oct 6th

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Fundraising Calendar, to raise money for a book about Blue Mountain Pottery

The Craigleith Heritage Depot has produced a 16-month Calendar celebrating Blue Mountain Pottery! This beautiful calendar features historical highlights from the pottery as well as pieces from the museum collection. All proceeds from the calendar will go toward the publication of a new book about the pottery.

The museum is working with Conrad Biernacki, a recent Royal Ontario Museum retiree who is writing a book about Blue Mountain Pottery. He has been collecting this iconic pottery since his youth. At this point research is still ongoing into the finer details about the pottery. The museum would love to learn from anyone who worked at the pottery or anyone who may have images of the various factories in The Blue Mountains and Collingwood.

This calendar was created with the assistance of the Georgian Bay Photography club who helped photograph the the museum collection of Blue Mountain Pottery. Their volunteer assistance has been greatly appreciated, as their members expertly handled the technical challenges of photographing ceramics.

Calendars are available for sale from the Craigleith Heritage Depot or the LE Shore Library in Thornbury. Cost is \$23 plus tax. It makes a great gift, sharing a part of our local history.

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by Robert Burcher

Christmas is coming and here is a perfect gift. This is the new updated version of a car-touring book published in the 1990s. Its focus is obviously the back roads of our area.

Good little snippets of local history by Lynne Barnes, lots of fun illustrations by Bev Smith and the recipes by Keri Lockhart are a nice addition. There are lots of secret places to discover.

If you are new to the area then this is a must buy. Come and catch the re-launch at the library on September 8th, 7-8pm. Available at Jessica's Books.

Fraser Institute News Release:

Shrinking ratio of Canadian workers to seniors will strain government finances in coming years; only 3 working age individuals for every senior by 2027.

As Canada's population ages, the number of working-aged Canadians relative to the number of seniors has declined from 5.4 in 2000 to 3.4 in 2022, which means government spending related to demographics is increasing at the same time that the growth in tax revenues is declining, finds a new study by the Fraser Institute, an independent, non-partisan Canadian public policy think-tank.

"Workers pay the bulk of taxes, which governments need to fund important services, including health care and income transfers to seniors. As the relative number of seniors grows, and the relative number of workers declines, government finances across Canada will be put under increasing strain," said Ben Eisen, senior fellow at the Fraser Institute and co-author of Understanding the Changing Ratio of Working-Age Canadians to Seniors and Its Consequences.

The study finds that the share of Canada's population that is 65 or older increased from 14.1 per cent in 2010 to 19.0 per cent in 2022. Statistics Canada projects this number will increase to 25.0 per cent by 2059.

At the same time, the share of the population that is working-age (aged 15 to 64) is declining, such that the ratio of workers to seniors is also shrinking. For example, in 1970, the ratio of workers to seniors was 7.8, meaning there were almost 8 workers for every senior. This year, that ratio has dropped to just 3.4 workers to every one senior. By 2050, the ratio is expected to decline further to just 2.5 workers for every senior in Canada.

Crucially, as the number of seniors rise, there will be more people collecting income transfers such as the Old Age Security and the Guaranteed Income Supplement. Likewise, average annual per person health-care costs for people aged 65-74 is \$7,751, compared to just \$2,811 for people aged 35-44. This means that government expenses will increase substantially as the number of seniors rises.

And conversely, there will be fewer workers relative to the number of seniors, while workers pay the bulk of government taxes.

This shrinking ratio of workers to seniors in Canada—which is already underway—is a significant headwind to policymakers in their efforts to improve the sustainability of government finances in Canada," Eisen said.



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2022 Municipal & School Board Elections - October 24, 2022

The Municipal and School Board Elections will be held on October 24, 2022. From October 14, 2022 to October 24, 2022, you can vote using internet or telephone. Mail-in and paper ballots will not be used.

Who May Vote?

Any person who on election day (October 24, 2022) meets the following qualifications is eligible to vote:

1. Is a Canadian citizen
2. Is at least 18 years old on election day
3. Resides in the municipality or is the owner or tenant of land in the local municipality, or the spouse of such a person.
Non-residential commercial or industrial property electors are not entitled to vote for school board trustees but are entitled to vote for other municipal offices or questions.
4. Any person not prohibited by law from voting.

Method of Voting:

The Town of The Blue Mountains is using Internet and Telephone Voting for the 2022 Municipal and School Board Election. There will be no advance poll or proxy voting as Internet/Telephone Voting allows voters to cast a ballot anytime between Friday, October 14, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. and Monday, October 24, 2022 at 8:00 p.m.

Voter Information Letters will be mailed to electors at the beginning of October and will include voter credentials and instructions on how to vote. A Help Centre will be available in the Town Hall, Council Chamber, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, during the voting period.

What School Board Do I Vote For?

Electors are entitled to vote for school boards if their qualifying property is residential. Each eligible elector may vote for school representation once in a school board jurisdiction.

The following is a list of the School Boards for which qualified electors will be entitled to vote unless there are acclamations.

1. **Bluewater District School Board** (anyone can support)
2. **Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board** (must be Roman Catholic)
3. **Conseil scolaire Viamonde** (must have French Language Education Rights)
4. **Conseil scolaire catholique Providence** (must be Roman Catholic and have French Language Education Rights)

Voters' List Information:

Are you on the Voters' List? Want to be added to the Voters' List? Has your mailing address changed?

From September 1, 2022 to October 24, 2022 voters may contact the Town of The Blue Mountains Clerk's Office to confirm, amend or be added to the Voters' List (identification is required).

Election staff will be available at Town Hall for **extended hours** of operation to allow voters to confirm that they are on the Voters' List.

Extended Hours are as follows:

- **Wednesday September 7, 2022** from 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Town Hall
- **Saturday September 10, 2022** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Town Hall

For More Information:

Please contact the Town Clerk at (519) 599-3131 ext. 232 or email townclerk@thebluemountains.ca.

Visit: www.thebluemountains.ca/elections



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Key Election Dates

October 3, 2022	You should receive your Voter Information Letter in the mail on or around this date
October 14, 2022	Voting period opens at 10:00 a.m.
October 24, 2022	Voting Day - voting closes at 8:00 p.m.
November 21, 2022	Inaugural Meeting of the new Council will be held at 11:00 a.m. in The Blue Mountains Council Chamber, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury

Require Assistance?

During the Voting Period (Oct. 14 - Oct. 24), a Help Centre will be available at Town Hall during normal business hours and during the extended hours listed below:

Saturday, October 15	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Monday, October 17	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 18	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 19	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 20	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday, October 21	9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, October 22	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Monday, October 24	9:00 a.m. until the close of voting at 8:00 p.m.

2022 Grants and Donations Program

The Town of The Blue Mountains Council is pleased to announce that the Application for the 2022 Grants and Donations Program is now available online at www.thebluemountains.ca/communitygrants. We welcome not-for-profit organizations servicing The Blue Mountains to request funding or subsidization of Town-owned facility space through this process.

The deadline for applications is **Friday, September 9, 2022**. The Grants and Donations Committee will make recommendations to Council on September 23, 2022, and Council will consider the recommendation of the Grants and Donations Committee on September 27, 2022.

For further information, please contact the Administrative Assistant for Finance and IT Services at finance@thebluemountains.ca or **(519) 599-3131 ext. 227**.



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Notice of Public Meeting - Proposed Zoning Amendment & Draft Plan of Subdivision

Property Location:

Town Plot Park, Part of Lots 5 & 6, N/E Alfred Street, Plan 107; Part of Lots 5 & 6 RP 16R10171; Parts of 2 to 4; and Part 1, Plan 107, Part of Lot 6, Registered Plan 16R10171, Part of Lot 33, Concession 10, Town of Blue Mountains, County of Grey

Public Meeting:

September 19, 2022 at 1:00 PM (Hybrid Format - Virtual - Online format using Microsoft Teams & In-Person)

What is being proposed?

The County has received a plan of subdivision application, known as 24 Alfred Street Development (County file number 42T-2022-01) to create blocks of land for seventeen (17) residential dwellings of which, eight (8) are semi-detached residential units and nine (9) are single detached units. The proposed lots will be located along a condominium road.

A zoning by-law amendment application has also been submitted to the Town of The Blue Mountains for this proposed development. The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment application is to implement the plan of subdivision by rezoning a portion of the lands to Residential Density One Exception (R1-1-XX) Zone to permit a reduced lot frontage on one lot facing Alice Street West. To rezone a portion of the lands to Open Space Zone abutting Alice Street and Alfred Street. To rezone a portion of the lands to Residential Density two (R2) to permit semi-detached dwelling units, and to maintain a portion of the lands as Residential Density One (R1-1) Zone which permits single detached dwellings.

Key Map:



Public Meeting Information:

Written Comments – You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk. Written comments received by September 16th, 2022 will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting.

Verbal Comments – Those that wish to make verbal comments are required to pre-register with the Town Clerk, no later than five business days in advance of the Public Meeting, by September 12th, 2022.

Please note that the meeting will be also live broadcasted on the Town's website and posted as a video following the public meeting. You do not need to register to view the meeting on the Town's website. Any submitted comments become part of the public record, including names and addresses.

Contact the Town Clerk to pre-register or submit comments to townclerk@thebluemountains.ca or by calling the Town at **(519) 599-3131 ext. 232** or Fax: (519) 599-7723

Comments by mail: Town Clerk, Town Hall, 32 Mill St. Box 310, Thornbury ON, N0H 2P0.

Where do I find more information?

For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact Planning Services at the Town of The Blue Mountains at **(519) 599-3131 ext. 288** or planning@thebluemountains.ca.

The Town Planner assigned to this file is Natalya Garrod. You may also view the Town's Development Projects page on the Town website at www.thebluemountains.ca to view application materials. You may also request a copy of the full public notice.



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- ➔ Progressed on a community-wide drainage plan and a transportation master plan
- ➔ Initiated work on a Campus of Care micro-community with options for levels of care and attainable housing for both seniors and health care staff
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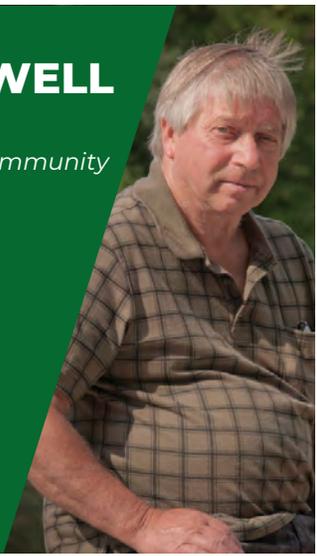
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SEPT. 26- JUNE PORTER &
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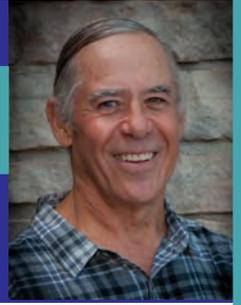
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Commitment: 44 years community involvement on many levels.

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Electoral District Changes

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The Constitution of Canada requires that federal electoral districts be reviewed after each decennial (10-year) census to reflect changes and movements in Canada's population.

The current federal redistribution process began in October 2021. It is led by independent commissions working separately in each province to establish electoral boundaries.

The Chief Electoral Officer is tasked with applying the representation formula found in the Constitution to determine the new allocation of seats. Elections Canada is also responsible for providing administrative and technical support to the commissions.

On June 23, 2022, Parliament amended the Representation Formula, which determines the number of Members of Parliament (MPs) to be assigned to each province.

The new legislation ensures that every province retains, as a minimum, the same number of MPs that it had assigned during the 43rd Parliament elected in 2019. Using the new formula, the Chief Electoral Officer has recalculated how many MPs each province will be assigned. As a result, the province of Quebec will have 78 MPs, instead of the 77 calculated under the previous Representation Formula in October 2021. Due to this change, the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Quebec will have 10 months from the day on which the new calculation of the CEO is published in the Canada Gazette to issue its final report.

The new electoral districts will apply, for each province, in the first general election held at least seven months after their respective Representation Order is issued.

ONTARIO

Ontario is currently divided into 124 electoral districts. As a result of redistribution, the electoral district boundaries were redrawn for the 2018 provincial general election to increase the number of electoral districts in Ontario from 107 electoral districts in 2014 to 124 electoral districts.

The proposal reflects Ontario's increase in population from 12,851,821 in 2011 to 14,223,942, as captured in the 2021 Census, and takes into consideration communities of interest or identity, and historic and geographic factors. The proposal can be found at redistribution2022.ca.

Public Participation

The Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario is holding public hearings, in person and virtually, to gather comments and feedback on the proposed boundaries and electoral district names.

How to participate

If you wish to make a representation at a hearing, you must complete a Public Hearing Participation Form. The Commission has set September 25, 2022 as the date by which the Public Participation Hearing Form is to be filed.

A submission may be made in writing as an alternative to appearing at an in-person or virtual hearing.

Should you wish to send comments and feedback to the Commission, without attending a public hearing, you can do so by mail or email, or by using the Interactive Mapping Tool.

Public Hearing Participation Form

The Public Hearing Participation Form, or alternatively written submissions (for those who only wish to make a submission in writing), may be filed by email or by mail to: ON@redecoupage-federal-redistribution.ca

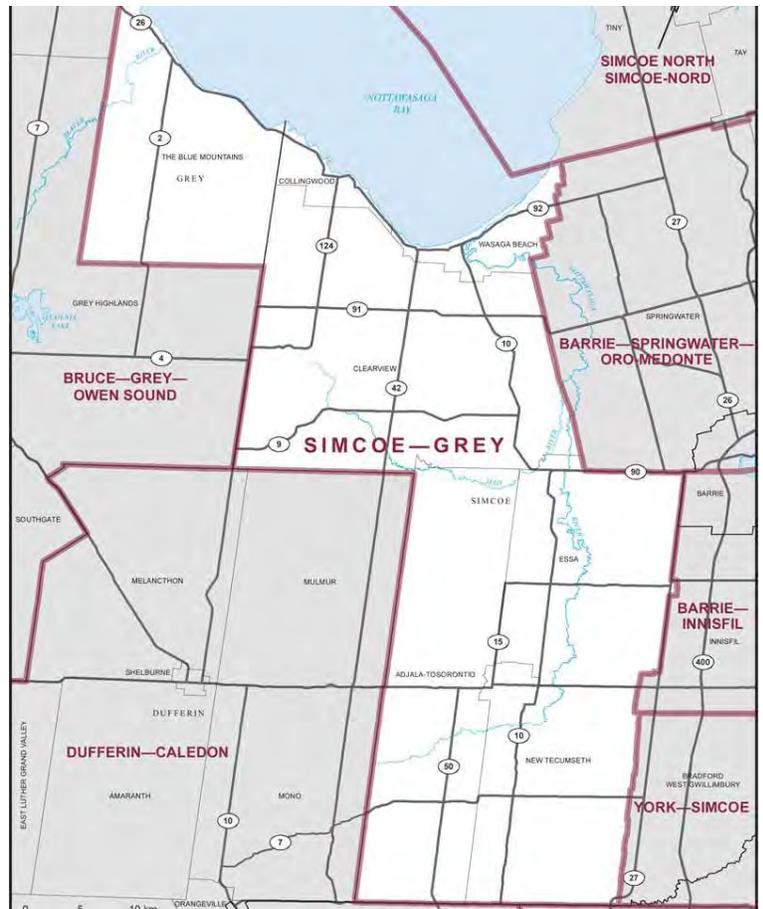
Ms. Paula Puddy, Commission Secretary
Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission for Ontario
PO Box 37018 Southdale, London, Ontario N6E 3T3
855-747-7224

In the interest of transparency, the Commission will make public all submissions that it receives in response to the proposed redistribution plan. These will be published on the Commission's website and will include the person's name and the date of the submission. The home address of those making submissions will not be shared.

Simcoe-Grey – Existing boundaries consist of:

(a) that part of the County of Simcoe comprised of: the towns of Collingwood, New Tecumseth and Wasaga Beach; the townships of Adjala-Tosorontio, Clearview and Essa; and

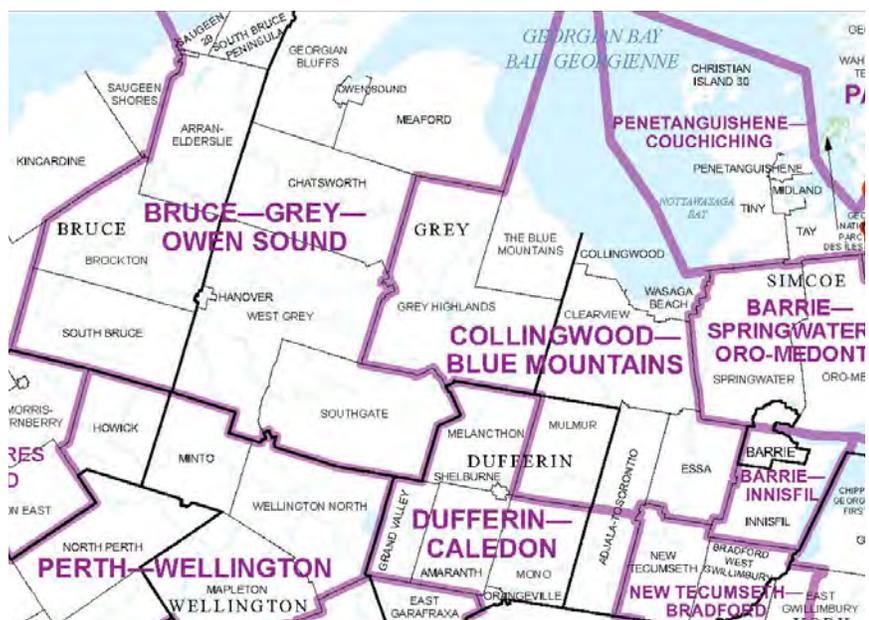
(b) that part of the County of Grey comprised of The Blue Mountains.



Proposed boundaries for

Collingwood-Blue Mountains to consist of:

the municipalities of Collingwood, The Blue Mountains, Wasaga Beach, Clearview, Grey Highlands, Mulmur, Essa and part of Adjala-Tosorontio



Schedule of Public Hearings

Virtual hearing Central Ontario; Northern GTA; Eastern GTA; and Central East Ontario

The link will be provided to participants

Monday, September 26, 2022 6:30 p.m.



A Special Tree Planting Day in Our Local Parks – September 24, 2022!

Two tree planting events, hosted by Treetrust TBM, Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary, and The Town of the Blue Mountains, will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022. All members of the public are invited - from kids to grandparents - to help out or simply to watch and celebrate. You will be helping us plant more than 25 large, eight-foot-tall trees!

The first tree planting is sponsored by The Blue Mountain Village Association and will start at 10 am at Heritage Park at 118 Kandahar Lane (<https://www.thebluemountains.ca/recreation-culture/recreation-facilities/heritage-park#map>). Thank you Blue Mountain Village Association!

The second tree planting will start at 2 pm at Delphi Point Park at 209233 Highway 26 (<https://www.thebluemountains.ca/recreation-culture/recreation-facilities/delphi-point-park#map>).

Tree planting helpers can expect about 45 minutes of “bucket-brigade” style, light carrying of mulch, compost and water to help make sure these trees get off to a good start. We recommend that tree planting helpers bring work gloves and wear appropriate closed-toed shoes or boots (not flipflops or sandals). We also recommend that tree planting helpers register their interest in one or both park planting events by sending an email to csadmin@thebluemountains.ca with the subject line: September 24 Heritage Park (or Delphi Park or Both Parks) so that we can anticipate attendance and, if needed, contact you in the event of changes due to weather or other circumstances.

The Town will also be placing water tanks at each park location and, similar to the spring community tree sapling planting along the Georgian Trail, we hope that residents will help with regular watering of the park trees. Consistent watering of newly planted trees can make a big difference to the short- and long-term survival of newly planted trees.

Planting these large trees in TBM parks is the conclusion of much longer volunteer effort aimed at increasing our tree canopy. Earlier in the spring, volunteers helped to pot-up bare root trees and, since then, as part of an evolving watering program at the Town’s tree nursery site, the Town and an especially dedicated volunteer have ensured regular watering of these potted trees. Purchasing bare root trees, potting them up and providing regular watering has resulted in significant cost savings, allowing for more trees to be planted. Initial funding from the TBM Environmental Sustainability Fund helped us to buy the bare roots trees and sponsorship from the Blue Mountain Village Association will help pay for additional costs at Heritage Park such as site preparation, soil amendments and professional planting support.

Treetrust TBM has had a very busy summer, implementing a range of activities with Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary and the Town to protect and expand our tree canopy. We’ve organized a spring community sapling planting day at two sites along the Georgian Trail, supplied potted trees to residents for back yard planting, provided professional arborist care for two 100+ year old sugar maple trees, planted four new sugar maple saplings in Hillcrest Park, and continued to maintain a native tree seedling nursery started in 2021. All of these programs, along with our upcoming park tree planting event on September 24, would not have been possible without the incredible support of our residents, local businesses and Town staff.

To donate, to explore sponsorship opportunities, or to request more information, please contact Betty Muise at tbm@treetrust.ca. Treetrust TBM is a registered charity run by volunteers.

Introducing Rev. Dr. Johan Ries



It is good to finally say hello to the town of the Blue Mountains! Since 20 May 2022 I’ve been the new minister at St. Paul’s Presbyterian Church in Thornbury. Looking back it was an incredible busy couple of months. Not only have I relocated to a new home and town but also to a new country.

I was born and raised in Cape Town, South Africa. My father was a serving minister and also district secretary of the Bible Society of

South Africa for the region of the Western and Southern Cape as well as Namibia. My mother was a clinical social worker, working at some of the larger hospitals in the region of Cape Town. Later on she served as a social worker in private practice, also doing work as a pastoral counselor.

Having a full life in South Africa, I never imagined starting it all over again! Upon arriving in Canada you pretty soon realize everything is different... And that starts by driving on the right side of the road. In South Africa you drive on the left side but it is amazing how right is now starting to seem right (correct)!

During my short time in Canada I even had to get involved with SIN It’s now a St. Paul’s inside joke. When I say SIN I actually refer to my social insurance number. With all the chaos at an extremely busy Pearson International Airport, it cost me an extra trip to Toronto to just get the paperwork sorted. Hopefully I didn’t sin too much in that rush hour traffic!

Today many people rely on their own strength and I wonder how disillusioned they must become when that strength or power runs out. I prefer to rather boast about my shortcomings to know how dependent I am of Jesus’ strength in my life. Paul said it so spot on in Philippians 4:13 “I can do everything through him who gives me strength.”

I love being in nature and do enjoy a good run in our beautiful surroundings. There is still so much to explore! I’m also a sports nut and I enjoy in particular team sports. I am proud to say I supported the Maple Leafs upon arrival, it was just a pity they didn’t get far in the play-offs. Well, there’s always next season! But now it’s Blue Jays time!

I’ve learned in life you don’t reach anything without love and support. You always need a support team around you. I want to say a special thank you to this town for a very warm welcome. It is great to already know a couple of names and I am looking forward to meeting many new faces!

If you see someone looking a little lost with a foreign accent, it might just be me! Feel free to introduce yourself or simply come visit us at 165 Russell Street on a Sunday at 10:30.



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with Susan Haldane



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2023 GALLERY EXHIBITS SCHEDULE

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Friday September 9th

- 9:00 am – Noon Community Centre opens to accept registrations & class entries
- 1:00 pm Judging begins on exhibit entries
- 5:00 pm Admission gates & beer garden open
- 6:00 – 9pm Wrestling Show
- 7:00 pm Official Fair Grounds Opening/Viewing of Fair Exhibits
Senior & Junior Ambassador Competition results

Saturday September 10th

- 9:30 am Parade beginning in Clarksburg – ending at Community Centre
- 10:00 am Pet Show
- 10:00 am Kids tractor pedal pulls (Parking Lot)
- 10:00 am–5pm Wasaga Laser Tag (Ball diamond)
Petting Zoo (Park)
Kids Zone (Inside Community Centre)
Extreme obstacle (Ball Diamond)
Rock climbing wall (Ball Diamond)
Mechanical bull (Parking Lot)
Chain saw carving (Parking Lot)
Antique tractor display
Excavating challenge (Parking Lot)
- 10:30 am Dog Agility Show (Ball Diamond)
- 11:00 am Beer Garden open
- 11:00 am Great Canadian Lumberjack Show
- 11:30 am Eric Traplin (Kids entertainer) (Inside at Stage)
- 11:30 am Square dancing demo (All welcome to join in)
- 12:00 noon Draft Horse Demonstration (Beside Playground)
- 12:00 noon Horse carriage rides
- 1:00 – 4:00pm Live Music
- 1:00 pm Dog Agility Show (Ball Diamond)
- 1:00 pm Light horse show (Ball Diamond #2)
- 1:00 pm Apple peeling contest (Inside Community Centre)
- 1:30 pm Eric Traplin (Kids entertainer) (Inside at Stage)
- 2:00 pm Great Canadian Lumberjack Show
- 3:00 pm Eric Traplin (Kids entertainer) (Inside at Stage)
- 4:00 pm Great Canadian Lumberjack Show
- 4:00 pm Pick up your exhibit entries & displays
- 4:00 - 7:00pm Live Music
- 5:00 - 7:00pm Beef on a Bun

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Marsh Street Centre Events

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MSC Annual General Meeting
Saturday September 10th

MSC Fun Golf Tournament
Saturday September 17th

Shawna Caspi
Saturday October 1st

Marsh Street Rocks Fall Session
Starts September 26th 2022

The Celtic Kitchen Party
Friday October 14th

Thornbury Community Theatre
November 3, 4, 5, 11, 12

Holiday Market
December 2nd and 3rd

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SEPTEMBER 27

7 PM

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Saturday, Sept 24 9am-noon
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