#### **CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN**

March, 2021

### **COVID-19 VACCINATIONS**

Information can be obtained from Durham Region web site. <a href="https://www.durham.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-vaccines.aspx">https://www.durham.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-vaccines.aspx</a>

The following is taken from a March 3<sup>rd</sup> press release –

# Health Department launches #RollUpYourSleevesDurham to provide COVID-19 vaccine for area residents

Beginning Monday, March 8 at 8 a.m., residents of Durham Region can begin registering for appointments to receive the COVID-19 vaccine—beginning with individuals over the age of 80—via an online booking system or a central telephone booking line.

- Monday, March 8 at 8 a.m.: Online and phone registration is open to Durham residents over the age of 80 (born in 1941 or earlier).
- Tuesday, March 9: Appointments begin at Garnet B. Rickard Recreation Complex in Clarington; or the Chestnut Hill Developments Recreation Complex in Pickering.

Individuals over the age of 80, born in 1941 or earlier, can begin registering through the online booking system at <a href="www.durham.ca/vaccineappointment">www.durham.ca/vaccineappointment</a> on Monday, March 8 for appointments that start on Tuesday, March 9. Seniors who are unable to use the online booking system are invited to call the Call Centre Booking Line at 1-800-841-2729 to register.

The Oshawa clinic site, at Durham College and Ontario Tech University, is currently completing vaccination for health care providers and is expected to transition to individuals 80 years and older early next week, at which time the community will be notified.

The Health Department is also planning to offer mobile clinics to provide vaccine to populations and individuals who may have difficulty accessing larger clinics. More details regarding mobile clinics will be available in the coming weeks.

The Health Department has also identified locations for future community-based vaccination clinics, based on the province's vaccine distribution implementation plan. Working with local area municipalities, locations have been secured in all Durham Region municipalities—providing access to vaccinations in the community where the individual lives.

A listing of all community-wide vaccination clinics is available at <u>durham.ca/covidvaccines</u>. Access to these vaccination clinics will also be through the above-noted online and call centre booking system. Details regarding these clinics and pre-registration will be available in the coming weeks, once vaccine supply starts to increase from the province.

Note: The Scugog Arena has been designated as a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic. As of March 15<sup>th</sup>, it will open (by appointment only) on a rotating basis with two other Durham North clinics in Uxbridge and Brock.

# **HOUSE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

Mail Kiosk – A Reminder - as a courtesy to nearby homeowners and for safety reasons, please do not park on the street or in the driveway to The Centre while picking up your mail. There are adjacent parking spaces for use.

## **ALERT FOR WALKERS**

Sometimes with icy sidewalks, we tend to walk on the road, especially in Canterbury where the traffic is fairly light. However, when doing so be sure to walk on the side of the road, facing oncoming traffic and stay alert for the sound of approaching cars. We did have a recent incident reported by a resident who was very concerned to see another resident walking in the middle of the road, completely unaware of a car approaching from behind. Fortunately, the driver was cautious and drove very slowly until the walker eventually moved aside.

## **CCRA SWIMMING POOL - 2021 SEASON**

We are looking forward to a longer swimming season this year. Gary Carmichael has already arranged to have Acapulco Pools open our pool mid May. Durham Health Department will then be called to come and inspect it and approve it for use. Closer to the time, we will let you know the exact date for opening and to what degree COVID-19 restrictions will influence our pool operation in terms of rules, hours and numbers of swimmers allowed.

#### CCRA SWIMMING POOL - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have several residents who have volunteered to assist again this year with the daily monitoring and opening & closing of the pool this summer. However, we do need to call for a few more volunteers to help out this season. We also like to have a few back-ups listed, so that if anyone has another commitment on their designated day, they have someone to call to fill in for them. The old expression – 'many hands make light work' is so true. Full training is provided. There are two groups of volunteers needed: -

# Opening & Closing the Pool

This involves removing or putting on the solar blanket, inserting or removing the robot vacuum and tidying the pool deck area. With our new larger pool, it is more difficult for just one person to roll the solar blanket on and off the pool. Ideally, we would like to have a team of two for each day of the week. It only takes a few minutes at 9:30 a.m. and again at 6:00 p.m.

# Monitoring and Testing the pool water

This involves testing the pool water and doing a couple of other monitoring tasks (e.g., checking to make sure the emergency phone is working) twice per day. You can choose

either the 9:45 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. time slot. It's not a big commitment but has a huge impact on successfully running the pool. It literally takes no more than 15 minutes to test the water. The added bonus is that it gets you to the pool for a swim after you test the water!

We have the following time slots to fill this year -

#### Monitor/Tester

- Mondays at 9:45 a.m.
- Tuesday at 9:45 a.m.
- Thursdays at 2:00 p.m.
- o Back-ups

# Pool Opener/Closer

- We have one day/week that we need to fill. We can be flexible on the day.
- o Back-ups

Please contact Martha Simmons (simmonsmg89@gmail.com, Tel 982-1330) if you can spare a bit of time one day/week. We would really appreciate it.



**HOMEBOUND BOOKS** 

Has Stay-at-Home given you the shut-in blues?

Are you experiencing literary withdrawal?

# Beat your COVID boredom with a Mystery Bag of books delivered to your door for free!

You may be homebound but don't be cut off from enjoying some good quarantine reading. The Rotary Club of Port Perry in collaboration with the Scugog Library Board will provide a home delivery service to those who are confined to their home during this period of lockdown. This program has been designed with the highest regard to COVID protocols. The Scugog Memorial Library, Library Board and Rotary have donated books for this project.

Rotary volunteers will deliver books to your home at no charge.

To receive books, please contact one of the following individuals:

- Colleen 905-391-6820
- Jim 905 985-5491
- Bonnie at bonniebunting1@gmail.com

Enjoy getting into a good book thanks to the partnership of your Rotary Club and the Library Board