



CCRA INFORMATION BULLETIN

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CANTERBURY GARDENS

You have no doubt noticed the evolution of the gardens all around The Centre and the pool area. They look amazing. You will see a few residents working hard to keep them in beautiful shape. Our thanks go out to Ren Blimke, Netty Kuipers, Mary-Anne Matthews, Debbie Simpson, Tracy & Dave Vernest and Hugh Allward for creating and maintaining these lovely gardens.



THE PORT PERRY LAKEFRONT FARMERS' MARKET

If you are looking for something fun to do on a Saturday morning, especially if you are new to the area, you might enjoy visiting the local Farmers Market at the corner of Queen St. and Water St. It is open every Saturday from June until Thanksgiving, 8am-2pm. It has more than twenty full and part-time vendors offering farm-fresh produce, flowers, plants and seeds, meats, local honey, maple syrup, delicious pastries, coffee, wine, bread and sweet treats, unique clothing, soaps, jewelry, crafts, metal, woodworking and so much more!

MEN'S GOLF AND CANTERBURY SCRAMBLE GOLF

Canterbury Men's Golf and Canterbury Scramble Golf have started and are seeing great numbers of interested golfers coming out to play. More are certainly welcome.

To sign up for Men's Golf contact Roy Wilson at 1-647-955-9101 or mbepic@gmail.com.

To join the Scramble Golf League, contact Robbie MacDonald at 1-778-731-0381 or rjmac13@gmail.com.

CANADA DAY

Ken Hurst, Social Committee

When Frances and I moved to Canterbury Common in June of 2016, one of the very first functions we went to was the Canada Day Celebration at The Centre. We quickly learned that when you live in Canterbury being on time is being late.

With COVID-19 restrictions, unfortunately, we will not be able to gather the way we love to and therefore we will have to do something different and unique for this year's Canterbury Common July 1st Canada Day Celebration.

We are asking residents to decorate their homes and properties with Canadian flags, red balloons, red ribbon, or plant some red flowers etc. Anything red and white!!

Let's all participate and make our Canterbury Common community a showplace in all of Port Perry on Canada Day - and have some fun!!

CCRA EMAIL ADDRESS CHANGE

The ccraportperry@powergate.ca email address has been retired and replaced with portperryccra@gmail.com. This is the email address to use when notifying us of a **change** in your email address or telephone contact information, so that we can update our Canterbury contact lists. It is a good idea to do so promptly to ensure that you continue to receive the monthly Bulletin and other emails from CCRA.

ANNUAL ASSESSMENT

Lee Maher

With the delay in the Annual General Meeting, the CCRA Board approved the separate release of the Treasurer's Report to the CCRA Residents in the early June timeframe.

All residents will shortly receive the CCRA Financial Report detailing the 2020/2021 financial results and the 2021/2022 Budget, which was recently approved by the CCRA Board. The delivery of the financial Report will be followed shortly thereafter with the CCRA Assessment notice.

This year residents will be able to mail a cheque to the address provided, E-Transfer or drop your cheque through the mail slot in the white box at the Kiosk. If you choose the E-Transfer option, the email address is accounting@canterburycommon.ca, Security question is "Association Name" and answer is "CCRA21". If you choose to provide a cheque, please attach the identifying coupon provided.

MAIL KIOSK

House & Property

Maintenance - The kiosk is scheduled to have some maintenance work completed this summer. A notice will be posted in the kiosk prior to the work beginning. For safety reasons, please avoid picking up mail on the days work is underway.

Mail Pick Up – This is just a reminder to be considerate and not park on the street when picking up mail. Parked cars on the street are a safety concern and can block the driveways of residents across the street. Parking spaces are available next to the kiosk. We have noticed an improvement in the mail kiosk parking situation, so thank you to all residents who are using the parking lot on a regular basis.

ASH TREE STUMPS BEING REMOVED

We just heard that the Arbor Tree Service company has started to dig out the stumps of the ash trees that were recently taken down in Canterbury. Please make sure that you remove any plants, bricks, bed edging etc. that you might have had around the base of the ash tree.

Marg Wirth really appreciates the help of her neighbours, Dorothy Bull and her partner Tore, who removed the plants and edging around her tree stump, so that the stump could then be removed. She also praised the tree service company for their patience and understanding. (On a side note, if you could use any hostas in your garden, call Marg (905 985-5004) - she now has some extras. 😊)

ARE YOU CONNECTED

Karen English

These days the Internet controls many things. Residents who have converted from Compton to Rogers Ignite are just starting to realize what that means. Your TV programs and phone now are directed from your WIFI or Wireless Local Area Network. We usually refer to everything as 'the internet'.

Apparently when Compton cable was inoperative - your phone would still work. That was due to the configuration of the cable lines.

What difference does this make?

When Rogers Ignite stops working for whatever reason - several other items may be affected. Your Life-Alert button may not operate unless you pay for the more expensive version which can work wherever you are located.

Most smart home devices communicate with each other over Wi-Fi. You would not be able to control appliances, thermostats, lights, and other devices remotely.

You also may have an internet-based security system that doesn't operate.

Lots to think about - for sure.

Possibilities:

- Upgrade your Life-Alert button to be able to use roaming technology or be able to be used in any location.
- Have a cell phone that is either with Bell or another provider or upgrade your package to be able to be used in any location.
- Review the possibility of upgrading all of your internet reliant devices and packages.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

“Help make a difference, and get to know your neighbours in our unique Canterbury community.”

The Nominating Committee is actively searching for a **Chairperson/Board Director** to lead our very enthusiastic group of volunteers on the **Social Committee**. If you are

interested, we would like to hear from you. Please call Lauren at 905-982-1510 or Murray at 905-985-6786.

The **Finance Committee** is seeking volunteers with a Financial/Business background to complement our group of experienced volunteers. Please call Lee at 905-982-1510 to discuss joining the team.

POOL VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED

We still need volunteers for the following time slots –

- **Monitor/Tester**
 - 4 openings, Monday - Sunday at 6:00 p.m. (July & August only)
- **Pool Opener/Closer**
 - Back-ups

The Monitor/Tester function involves testing the pool water and doing a couple of other monitoring tasks (e.g., checking to make sure the emergency phone is working). It takes less than ½ hour.

Opening and closing the pool involves removing or putting on the pool blanket, removing or installing the robot vacuum, scooping debris off the pool surface and some tidying up of the deck area.

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.

AQUAFIT

We have to thank Eileen Walter for providing so many residents with this very beneficial exercise program every summer for several years. It has become so popular that it is at maximum capacity, even in non-COVID times.

Our thanks go out to Nora Senechal who stepped up and started the Tuesday and Thursday Aquafit classes last summer to ensure that there was more availability for residents, particularly new ones, to enjoy this program.

Be sure to bring your pool noodle, bottle of water and arrive in enough time to sign-in and take a shower before entering the pool. COVID restrictions will be in place and the number in each class will be limited to 11.

Please note: Eileen and Nora are volunteers; they are not trained Aquafit instructors.

Monday/Wednesday/Friday: This is Eileen's class, which is at full capacity. Eileen does retain a stand by list so you can certainly call her at 905 985-7704 to see if any spots open up.

Tuesday/Thursday: This is Nora's class. This class is open to anyone in the Canterbury Community who wants to participate. No need to book a spot; just arrive a few minutes before the class. Priority will be given to people who do not attend Eileen's class.

CANTERBURY SWIMMING POOL UPDATE

Martha Simmons

Thanks to a lot of hard work by Gary Carmichael, Steve Holt, Ren Blimke and John Brewer, our pool is now looking very inviting. They worked closely with Acapulco Pools to rectify some initial issues and now have it in very good shape.

We hope to open the pool during the week of June 14th. This will depend upon any further Provincial announcements regarding Step 1 in the staged Reopening Plan and also on the sign off from the Durham Health inspection. When the date is confirmed, we will advise all residents via email. COVID-19 restrictions will again be in place.

On the following two pages, the pool schedule and procedures for this year are outlined.

CCRA SWIMMING POOL SCHEDULE AND PROCEDURES FOR 2021

PLEASE NOTE: COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS ARE IN PLACE THIS SUMMER. THIS MEANS THAT UNFORTUNATELY ONLY CANTERBURY RESIDENTS MAY USE THE POOL.

We are really pleased to announce that we expect to be able to open our Canterbury Common pool mid June, as part of Step 1, in the Provincial staged Reopening plan. When we can confirm the exact date, it will be noted in a CCRA Bulletin. The pool will be kept open until mid September.

POOL SCHEDULE

| Time | Monday – Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 10-11 | Adult Lane Swim/Exercise | Adult Lane Swim/Exercise | Adult Lane Swim/Exercise |
| 11-1 | *Open | *Open | *Open |
| 1-2 | Aqua Fit | Adult Only | Adult Only |
| 2-5 | Adult Only | Adult Only | Adult Only |
| 5-6 | *Open | *Open | *Open |
| For | July & August Only | | |
| 6-8 | *Open | *Open | *Open |

***NOTE: Unfortunately, as we cannot welcome our visiting grandchildren and other young family and friends to our pool this summer, Open Swim times will be designated as Recreational swim for Residents Only.**

PROCEDURES FOR USING THE POOL - SUMMER 2021

Operation and use of our pool (which is a Class B pool) will be in accordance with the **Durham Recreational Water Facilities COVID-19 Guidelines** and the **Guide to re-opening pools and waterfronts**. The restrictions are the same as they were last season.

Outlined here are the operating procedures for this year, highlighting what we have to do as users of the pool.

A few points to make at the start: -

- Only residents can use the pool this year - no guests are allowed.
- The pool hours are:
 - 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in June and September
 - 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. in July and August
- The pool is open for recreational swimming with two exceptions –
 - Adult Lane/Exercise swims are 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Monday - Sunday
 - Aqua-fit sessions run Monday - Friday from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
- On sign-in each resident is allowed a 60-minute time slot.

- Sign-in is the old-fashioned way...on a sign-in sheet at the pool entrance.
- The maximum capacity of people at a time in **the pool and deck area is 11**. This number has been calculated, based on “bather loads” in accordance with the *Durham Recreational Water Facilities COVID-19 Guidelines*, which stipulates “Reduce the legislated bather load in accordance with Lifesaving Society Guide – bather loads should be reduced by approximately 75%. The new established bather load is the maximum number of bathers that can be in the facility (pool and deck) at any given time.”
- The only furniture on the deck area will be a few chairs and umbrellas, to accommodate any residents who need to be seated to remove shoes and/or rest prior to getting into the pool. The reason for this minimal furniture is that all “high-touch surfaces” must be disinfected on a regular basis, so we are trying to minimize those tasks for our volunteers.
- **In addition, this year because of COVID, we are opening the pool for pool use only, not socializing.** We hope that next year, we can fully enjoy all the benefits of the new pool and lovely surrounding deck area.
- Bathrooms in The Centre will not be available for pool users. The reason for this the same as that for having limited furniture...to minimize disinfectant tasks required of our volunteers.
- You should come to the pool in your bathing suit.

PROCEDURES FOR USING THE POOL

- You enter the pool through the gate (using your existing Centre key) at the end of the pathway from the south parking lot. **Do not enter through The Centre.**
- Prior to entry, please read all posted signs carefully to ensure you are adhering to COVID-19 regulations.
- You will then do the sign-in before entering the pool area.
- There is a table set up for sign-in just outside the pool gated area:
 - **Hand sanitizer** - USE IT before completing the sign-in.
 - **A binder with a sign-in sheet**
 - On the sign-in sheet you will be asked to fill in: -
 - the date and time
 - your name
 - your telephone number (for contact tracing purposes)
 - # of swimmers in and around the pool. **If it is already at maximum of 11, wait until a spot is freed up or return at another time.**
 - your signature - by signing you attest to the fact that you have met the qualifying conditions to enter the pool and agree to use the pool for only a 60-minute time period.
- **Before entering the pool, take a shower.** The shower is located at the north end of the pool deck area. The Health Department mandates this and does require that soap also be used, to rinse off all body oils before entering the pool.
- **AND.... FINALLY- enjoy our lovely new pool.** We are sorry that we have to impose these restrictions this year but hope that next year the situation will be very different!